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TELEPHONE SERVICE TO CANTON

EARLY INAUGURATION FORESHADOWED THIS MORNING'S MEETING

Interesting developments in the field of long-distance telephony in South China were foreshadowed by Mr. J. Scott Harston, Chairman of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, Ltd., at the annual meeting this morning.

"Very definite progress," he said, "had been made towards the installation of a Trunk Telephone service to Canton, and subject to Government approval, the service would be inaugurated in about one year from date. There would be 24 lines, to be carried in a special underground cable, and the service would be on a no-delay basis."

TRUNK LINE TO SWATOW

The Chairman made the further interesting announcement that in due course a trunk line to Swatow and other points might be expected, so full of possibilities was the situation in South China for long-distance telephony.

Referring to the installation of the new automatic system, the Chairman regretted that there had been some delay, owing to the late arrival of portions of the equipment. The Contractor now assured the Company, however, that the system would be tested and ready for operation by the last week in April.

As regards finances, the Directors had decided, in view of the heavy outlay in making the change-over, that a call of \$2.50 per share should be made on partly-paid shares on June 30 next. It was desired to keep the subscription rates at the present level, notwithstanding the expense of the changes—but this decision would largely depend upon the results obtained under the Automatic system.

The Chairman asked the Company's subscribers, and the general public, to co-operate with the Company to ensure the smooth working of the new system, urging them to note carefully the instructions issued, and also that the demonstration models set up by the Company be visited and thoroughly studied.

Chairman's Speech

In moving the adoption of the Report and Account the Chairman said:—

The auditors' report is as follows:—

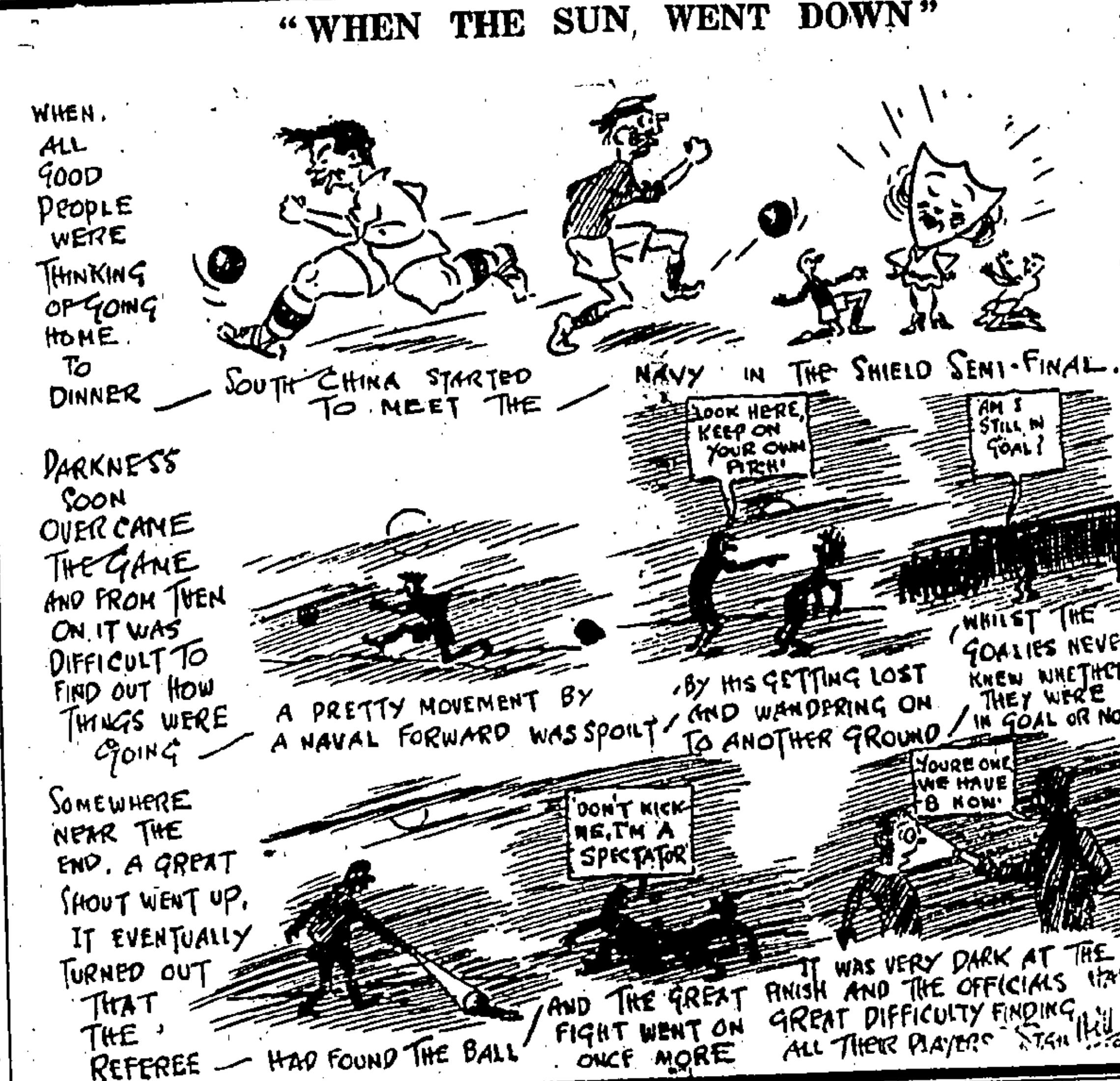
"We have audited the books, accounts and vouchers of the Company monthly for the year ended December 31, 1929, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. The plant, fittings and stores, rendered obsolete by the change of system, have been written off at valuations made by the Manager. In our opinion, the balance sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of affairs of the Hong Kong Telephone Company, Limited, as at December 31, 1929, according to the best of our information and explanations given to us and as shown by the Books of the Company—Low, Bingham & Matthews, chartered accountants, auditors; Hong Kong, February 10, 1930."

The Accounts

Referring to the accounts, you will observe that the profit for the year under review, carried to the credit of Profit and Loss Appropriation Account, amounted to \$302,200.25, which shows an increase of \$41,295.30 over the preceding year, and is obtained after deducting \$195,681.90 for Depreciation; \$35,950.00 for payment to Government of Royalties, as required by the Telephone Ordinance; and \$474.67 for writing off bad debts. Depreciation shows an increase of \$27,107.64 over the previous year and the larger allowance in this connection is necessitated by reason of the capital additions to general plant made during the year in the normal expansion of your business.

The expansion, you will observe, has resulted in the amount of Royalties payable to Government being \$2,312.00 in excess of the payment for the previous year.

Bad debts continue to decrease— even though they were extremely small last year—and this, I believe, is indicative of the efficacy of your Company's system of deposits to which I have already referred from the Chair on several previous occasions. Your Company's Authorised Capital is \$5,000,000 and



STRUNG UP WITH WIRE

ALLEGED ATTEMPTED MURDER OF WATCHMAN

TOWEL DOWN HIS THROAT

It was consequently not possible for your Company to provide for depreciation, in the short period which has elapsed since its inauguration on July 1, 1928, on a scale sufficiently extensive to enable it to have retired, through the account, the whole of the assets which have become obsolescent by reason of the change of system, especially in view of the very comprehensive programme of modernisation and expansion carried out by the Company since its inception.

Your Directors, therefore, after consultation with your Company's Auditors, decided to utilise the Share Premium Reserve for the purpose of extinguishing the Obsolete Plant Account, and I feel confident that Shareholders will endorse the conservative policy of your Board in this connection, particularly having regard to the fact that, although your new Automatic Plant will incorporate the latest developments in the art of Telephone Engineering, it in turn will, no doubt, become obsolescent in the course of time and will require to be periodically renewed in order that it may keep pace with the very rapid strides which are being made in the field of telephonic development.

At the last Annual General Meeting you approved the appropriation of \$25,000 to Obsolete Stores Reserve, and you will observe that this Reserve has been utilised, in the manner contemplated, for the purpose of writing off Stores which have become unserviceable in consequence of the change of system.

The balance required to provide for the full amount of \$271,298.97, shown under Change of System Account after utilising the Share Premium Reserve and the Stores Obsolescence Reserve, has been appropriated from Profits, and requires your confirmation.

Reserve and Investments

With regard to the Balance Sheet, you will notice that General Reserve Account will stand at \$225,000 if you approve your Directors' recommendation that \$50,000 be appropriated thereto for the year under review. That account is represented on the contra side by investments, and I am sure that your Directors' policy in investing the Reserve in securities outside the business will commend itself to all Shareholders, since the adoption of that course, where possible, is in conformity with the principles of sound finance.

Unfortunately, however, your Company cannot, owing to the terms of its franchise, credit the Reserve Fund with the interest accrued on these investments and I think emphasises the point to which I referred at the last Annual General Meeting regarding the liquidation of the annual appropriation of \$2,000,000 from the Reserve when your Company's Authorised Capital is \$5,000,000 and

STOP PRESS

GOOD PROGRAMME ARRANGED FOR TO-MORROW

GRAND NATIONAL

(By "Wombat")

The Fanling Hunt and Race Club will be holding a very important meeting to-morrow afternoon at Kwanti when a programme of five events will be decided, the principal of which will be the Fanling Grand National and Pierce Grove Cup.

The opening event is due to start at 3 p.m. sharp and should attract a substantial field. The race appears a fairly open event.

Fernleaf displays his best form over this particular distance and looks a winner here.

Sunloch is in top-hole condition, and is equally well at home over the mile.

James Pigg was well beaten at the last meeting, but is showing good form in training and may, therefore, be close at the finish.

The March Cup

November won at his last outing, and is considered to be a good thing in this event.

Christmas Frolic, on his previous running on the flat, may stage an upset.

Mowgli rarely disappoints, and should put over a good showings over this distance.

Fanling Stag is useful and enters well into the argument, although carrying a big weight.

The Spring Maidens

Diana is the most likely looking pony here, and should run well after his rest since the last flat meeting.

Suree has disappointed on many occasions, but should do better here, and may be placed.

Sixty would be better suited by a shorter distance, but he should run well in spite of the long trip.

Fanling Grand National and

Pierce Grove Cup

As You Like It will command most attention in this event, as it was a winner last year, and is supposed to have improved considerably since he last raced at Fanling.

Huntington is decidedly useful in this class, and is by no means badly handicapped.

Fanling Stag over this distance at one of our recent meetings was narrowly beaten by a good one, which points to his chances here.

St. Patrick's Steeplechase

Buster possesses a very good chance of winning here, as I do not expect this field to be a very big one.

Montana is the pick, however, and will probably run the rest of the competition off their legs trying to keep up with him.

Monte of Neblung will go to the post for a place.

The rule came into operation from Match 1.

By order of the Medical Board the name of Ho Chee-wing has been struck off the register of Medical and Surgical Practitioners qualified to practice in Hong Kong.

Ho died suddenly and suddenly in

CHANNEL TUNNEL

MAY BE BUILT AT COST OF £25,000,000

ASSET TO TRADE COULD BE OPERATED ECONOMICALLY

London, Yesterday.

The official commission investigating the feasibility of a channel tunnel has reported in favour

of the construction of an experimental pilot tunnel, at a cost of

£25,000,000, and, if successful,

traffic tunnels should be con-

structed at an estimated cost of

£25,000,000. The Commission re-

commends that the work be car-

ried out by private enterprise with

Government financial assistance,

and expresses the opinion that the

tunnel could be built, maintained

and operated economically, and

by creating new traffic, thus in-

creasing trade, would be of eco-

nomic advantage to Great Britain.

Lord Ebbisham, a Director of

the Southern Railway, contributes

a dissenting minute, opposing the

scheme on economic grounds.—

Reuter.

[The scheme of constructing

a tunnel under the Channel has

been the subject of controversy

for the last half century. Some

years before the war a company

was formed for the project and

a shaft was actually sunk on

the shore at Dover, a similar

excavation being made at Calais.

The project, however, was end-

ed by the action of the Com-

munity in Peking for final sanction.

This procedure is adopted in accord-

ance with the Convention for the

Control of the Trade in Arms and

Ammunition, signed at the Paris

Peace Conference in 1929. The

Convention further specifies that

arms, the use of which are prohibi-

ted under international law, (dum-

dum bullets, coming under this

heading), shall not under any cir-

cumstances be exported.

POISON GAS FOR CHINA?

CARGO OF DUM-DUM BULLETS

LOCAL RUMOUR

ARMS CONVENTION PROCEDURE

It is perhaps only natural in these days of trouble and stress in China, that rumours of arms shipments from one port to another, or by certain (or all) nations, should gain currency in Hong Kong, which, situated as it is, is the logical base for the dissemination of propaganda by the various warring factions.

The *China Mail*, having received a report that a shipment of two thousand cases of ammunition was recently made to southern and foreign port—and having noted a further, and serious allegation that such shipment contained 28 cases of explosive ("dum-dum") bullets and substances for the manufacture of poison gas—made enquiries in authoritative quarters, only to find that such allegations were not founded upon definite fact.

International Procedure

It cannot be too strongly emphasised that any requests for supplies of arms by interested parties in China must be first of all put before the Consular representative of the nation approached. Further, such request must meet with the approval of the Governor, or appointed representative of the nation, before being submitted to the Diplomatic Corps in Peking for final sanction. This procedure is adopted in accordance with the Convention for the Control of the Trade in Arms and Ammunition, signed at the Paris Peace Conference in 1929. The Convention further specifies that arms, the use of which are prohibited under international law, (dum-dum bullets, coming under this heading), shall not under any circumstances be exported.

Reserve Necessary

Rumours of any violation of this Convention by any of the signatory nations must therefore be treated with great reserve. It is only to be expected that charges and counter-charges should be made, especially in view of the present state of affairs in South China, but when traced to the actual source, they are discovered to be based on very nebulous premises.

Talk of poison gas and dum-dum bullets being imported into China is easy to manufacture—but it would be more satisfactory if definite proofs of such importations could be produced.

In the meantime, it can be safely and definitely stated that the nations signatory to the Arms Convention are not so far lost in a sense of honour as deliberately to violate it.

K. B. S. F. P. A. DANCE

A very enjoyable dance was held by the Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association at the Central British School last night. A large number of former pupils and their friends were present and the dance music was supplied by "Mickey and His Rhythm Boys".

During the interval, refreshments were served, after which an impromptu concert was staged, in the course of which Miss Nellie Field gave a clever exhibition of dancing.

CHINESE IN INDIA

It is notified for general information that the Government of India has intimated that entry into India on and after April 1, will be refused to Chinese nationals who are unable to produce regular passports duly vise for entry into India.

MY SELECTIONS

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Chongs, Brothers, from Singapore.

S. LACK, Superintendent
Hong Kong, March 15, 1930.

NOTICES.

G. R.
NOTICE.
COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

IN ORDER that a COMPLETE LIST may be maintained for record purposes, will those Ladies and Gentlemen resident in Hong Kong, other than those now serving in His Majesty's Forces, who have had any decoration conferred upon them by His Majesty the King, please inform the Chief Clerk, Colonial Secretariat if this has not already been done within 14 days from 7th March, 1930.

G. R.
1930—1931.

SEALED TENDERS will be received at the R.N. Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1930, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Bread, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions and necessaries for the year ending 31st March, 1931.

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WM. W. KEIR,
Surgeon Rear Admiral.
R.N. Hospital, Hong Kong,
13th March, 1930.

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W. PRYDE,
Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL

I HEREBY ANNOUNCE that I have removed to Pedder Building, 5th floor, from the 8th March.

T. YAMASAKI,
Japanese Dentist,
No 34, Queen's Rd. C.
Hong Kong, 10th March, 1930.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 41ST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th day of March, 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th March, 1930 to WEDNESDAY, 19th March, 1930, both days inclusive:

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 20th Feb., 1930.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the Undersigned on WEDNESDAY, the 26th March, 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1929.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th March, 1930, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.
Hong Kong, 5th March, 1930.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 6, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong on WEDNESDAY, the 26th March, 1930, at 2.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1929.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th March, 1930, to the 26th March, 1930 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG-SHAN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 10th March, 1930.

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SICKNESS AND HISTORY

The Decisive Influence of Disease

AN ABSORBING LECTURE

Speaking on February 27 to members of the Kuala Lumpur Rotary Club on "The influence of sickness on history," Professor A. Bostock-Hill said that in history no factor perhaps had been more potent and so little understood as sickness particularly in the form of epidemic and plague. From early ages, periods of time had been bounded by epidemics, plagues and pestilences.

If they went back to man in the earliest ages, living as he did in caves or trees, fighting not only for his food but with his fellowmen, nothing in the way of epidemics was possible, but when he began to collect into communities and built his first early settlements, which later developed into towns, then conditions began to arise which they now knew were practically essential for the production of disease in epidemic form.

The first known case of sanitation was in the reign of Men, when the Nile was diverted to prevent floods. Probably the earliest accounts of plague interfering with history and family life were the ten plagues of Egypt. Some of those could not in any way be judged to be connected with sanitary work but two of them could.

Later on, they had the great plague of Athens about 444 B.C., which altered completely the whole scope and work of the people. They knew that Rome was decimated by plagues and there was little reason to doubt that one of the most potent factors in its decline and fall were not only the breaking of the morale and character of the people, but largely the diminution of their vitality by continued outbreaks of malaria, rendering them unable to withstand the attacks of the more robust barbarians.

The Black Death

If they went to more modern records, the first great record they had of world-stirring plague or epidemic was the Black Death, which was supposed, as far as history could tell them, to have originated in China. From China it passed towards the West, till it affected the whole civilised world.

It might be said that this mattered but little, but did it? Those were the days of the press-gang. When fleet had to go to sea if crews could not be got by ordinary means the press gang went out to press all the able-bodied it could and as a last resort a sweep was made of the prisons and able-bodied men taken. They brought the infection of the gao to the ships and in many instances this incapacitated crews when victory seemed certain.

Gao fever was a very low and virulent type of typhus, propagated as typhus always was, by over-crowding, filth and starvation; it was so-called because it was originally induced in the prisons of the world. It might be said that this mattered but little, but did it?

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One of the most interesting items

he might recall was the victory of Lord Howe on "The Glorious First of June." In that fray the forces of the French and British were nearly equal. We had 17,000 and the French 18,000. A Dr. Trotter had been appointed surgeon of the fleet and he was one of the very first sanitarians of modern times.

He determined that the one great thing for victory was for the ships to be as healthy as they could. By cleansing the vessels, which were horribly filthy, and rearing to the ventilation and improving the dietary, sending sick men ashore as circumstances allowed, he produced such a state of affairs that there were only 40 sick people aboard the fleet on the morning of June 1. But the French ships were riddled with fever. Some of them had as many as 300 men unable to carry on their proper work. When we took these ships and their crews prisoners infection spread to our own men and we lost more by that than from battle.

The speaker then went on to refer to "The Black Assizes" at Oxford, when nearly the whole of the court, including the Lord Chief Justice and most of the jury and counsel, died of typhus fever. The infection was brought from the gao by the prisoners and owing to the intense infectivity of typhus it spread to the civil population. It had an extraordinary effect in reducing the capacity of the law to perform its functions.


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BUENOS AIRES MARU Friday, 26th April.

BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.

MEIGEN MARU Thursday, 20th March.

SHUNKO MARU Thursday, 3rd April.

DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.

CANADA MARU Monday, 31st March.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

SUMATRA MARU Tuesday, 15th March.

TACOMA MARU Friday, 4th April.

VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from

Shanghai.

MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.

MADRAS MARU Monday, 7th April.

HAIPHONG—Via Hothow & Pakhoi.

MENADO MARU Thursday, 20th March, 10 a.m.

NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.

JAPAN PORTS.

SEATTLE MARU Friday, 21st March.

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Captain E. Johnson, from reserve, has gone master, Wantung.

Captain R. H. Fairley, of the Chinkiang, has gone master, Chongtu.

Captain J. D. Whyte, of the Chengtu, has gone master, Chin-kiang.

Mr. J. R. Nisbet, chief officer, Wenchow, has gone chief officer, Soochow.

Mr. D. Needham, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Wenchow.

Mr. T. B. Low, chief officer, Anking, has resigned from the C.N.C.

Mr. J. Grossett, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Anking.

Mr. S. de Candia, second officer, Chekiang, has gone second officer, Tsinan.

Mr. R. B. C. Lee, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chekiang.

Mr. S. E. Rees, second officer, Taming, has gone second officer, Shansi.

Mr. K. A. Pegden, second officer, Shansi, is on reserve.

Mr. J. W. Bennett, second officer, Kweichow, has gone second officer, Kweiyang.

Mr. D. Simpson, second officer, Kweiyang, has gone second officer, Kweichow.

Mr. J. Shiel, second officer, Kiawo, has gone second officer, Fu-huo.

Mr. D. E. Kermode, from reserve, has gone second officer, Kiawo.

Mr. J. H. Telfer, third officer, Yuensang, is on reserve.

Mr. T. A. Goldenberg has been appointed third officer, Cheungsing.

Mr. G. Boyle, third officer, Cheungsing, has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. R. E. Holden, third officer, Yatshing, has gone second officer, Namsang.

Mr. R. McAlpine, second officer, Namsang, is on reserve.

Mr. J. D. Palmer, second officer, Kwangsang, has gone second officer, Suisang.

Mr. S. W. Marshall, second officer, Suisang, is on home leave.

Mr. S. V. Griffith, third officer, Fooching, has resigned.

Captain W. Rogers, of the Tseangtah, is on reserve.

Captain W. Noon has been appointed master, Tseangtah.

Mr. R. B. Wallace, third engineer officer, C.N.C., has resigned.

Mr. G. W. Clark, chief engineer officer, Yunnan, has been chief engineer officer, Fengtien.

Mr. T. R. Pringle, chief engineer officer, Fengtien, is on reserve.

Mr. R. S. Sinclair, from reserve, has gone chief engineer officer, Wantung.

Mr. J. B. Smith, third engineer officer, Wantung, has gone third engineer officer, Chenan.

Mr. B. A. Davies, third engineer officer, Chenan, has gone third engineer officer, Changsha.

Mr. J. W. S. Hood, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Sinkiang.

Mr. J. Andrew, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Wuchang.

Mr. H. J. A. D. Peacock, third engineer officer, Ningpo, has gone third engineer officer, Kaying.

Mr. R. Trathen, second engineer officer, Wuchang, is on reserve.

Mr. E. F. Graham, third engineer officer, Ichang, has gone third engineer officer, Wantung.

Mr. D. H. Davidson, third engineer officer, Hupeh, has gone extra third engineer officer, Wantung.

Mr. W. G. Douglas, extra third engineer officer, Wantung, has gone third engineer officer, Hupeh.

Mr. J. E. Halg, chief engineer officer, Huchow, is on reserve.

Mr. R. Carruthers, from reserve, has gone chief engineer officer, Huchow.

Mr. J. Jarvis, from home, has been appointed third engineer officer, Taming.

Mr. W. J. Sprintall, second engineer officer, Changsha.

Mr. C. W. Bainbridge, second engineer officer, Sinkiang, has gone second engineer officer, Fatshan.

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MERSEY DOCK

Three Schemes Receive Approval

At a recent meeting of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board Mr. H. F. Ferrie in moving the confirmation of the proceedings of the Works Committee said the southern part of the new shed at the Prince's dock had been finished and handed over to the Coast Lines.

The engineer expected the rest of the shed would be finished within a short time. He had also to draw the members' attention to the fact that they had now received the approval of the Government on the three schemes which were subject to certain arrangements which had to be considered by the committees, and after these had been gone into a final minute on the subject would be submitted to the Board at an early meeting.

The schemes in question are the modernisation of the central dock system at Liverpool; modernisation of one dock bridge at Birkenhead, and construction of a new dock at Bidston Moss and the filling in Wallasey Pool.

Mr. Rome seconded and the proceedings were confirmed.

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SHIRALA	7,841	5th Apr.	Amyo, Moji, Kobo & Osaka.
*BELTANA	—	6th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobo & Yokohama.
KHYBER	9,114	6th Apr.	Amyo, Moji, Kobo & Osaka.
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KASHGAR	9,005	11th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobo & Yokohama.
MANTUA	10,046	25th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobo & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,006	28th Apr.	Amyo, Moji, Kobo & Osaka.
*LAHORE	5,304	5th May	Shanghai, Moji, Kobo & Yokohama.
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CAREER RECALLED

His Excellency Admiral Sir A. K. Walstall, K.C.B., Commander-in-Chief of the China station, who arrived by H.M.S. Kent from Hong Kong, landed at Johnston's Pier, Singapore, on March 4, in the morning.

He was received by the Colonial Secretary (the Hon. Mr. John Scott), H.E. Major-General H. L. Pritchard (the G.O.C.), Captain Freyburg (Master Attendant) and Captain Thomson (Officer in Charge of the Naval Base). Representatives of the Army, Navy and Air Force, members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, and heads of Government Departments were also present.

A guard of honour from the 2nd Battalion of the Welch Regiment awaited His Excellency on the Pier, and the usual salute was given as he landed.

His Excellency, who is paying an annual official visit, has been in command of the China station since 1929. He commanded destroyer flotillas of the Atlantic Fleet during 1922-23, and was a Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty and assistant chief of the Naval Staff during 1923-24. He served in the European war from 1914 to 1918. He commanded the first cruiser squadron from 1924 to 1928.

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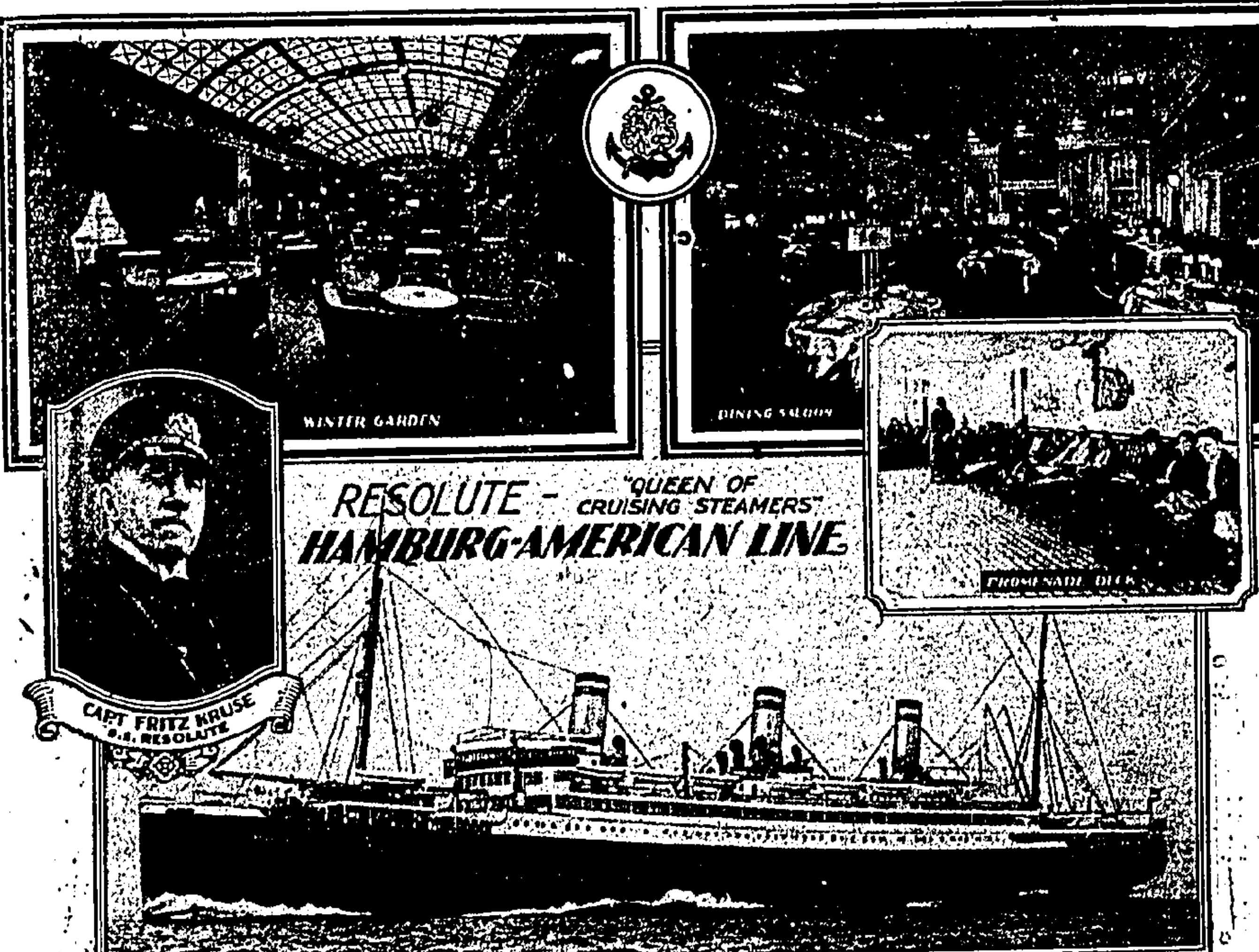
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STILL WATERS

During the last annual Race Meeting, Seizure the Police worked unduly hard in carrying out raids on several Chinese Clubs for the purpose of preventing them from running sweepstakes on the races. Those Clubs and Associations, as well as one of the leading department stores, who came under the Police ban, were prosecuted and in every case a fine was imposed. While we admired the strenuous work put in by the Police, some people at the same time have been asking why the Police should go so far and work so hard to make those seizures, when right within the precincts of the Central Police Headquarters such cash sweep tickets were sold? And, again, why were some Clubs and Associations allowed to run a sweep and some not? Can the Inspector-General of Police inform the public through the medium of the Press, how and why he makes discriminations? In the evidence given in the last two cases at the Magistracy it was mentioned that the Clubs prosecuted had not received permission to run a sweep. But what qualification must a Club or Association have before the necessary permit be granted to them?

The law on Another this point, Ambiguous Law as the learned Magistrate pointed out, was most anomalous. We go so far as to say that it is also ambiguous. In section E of the Gaming Ordin-

pressed thought might have had a definite reaction against public interest.

The reward of our silence was that Silence! we were compelled to publish a report

of remarks made in the House of Commons by the honourable and gallant member for Central Hull, remarks such as no person having the slightest acquaintance with existing local conditions would have been foolish enough to utter. Lieut.-Commander Kenworthy has blundered frequently in his references to various political happenings outside the country in which he lives. It is probable that he has quite forgotten many of the incidents long before his words have had their usual harmful effect in countries where the people are powerless to silence him.

For those who Kehworthy's are misguided

"Fame" enough to attach undue importance to the passage between Commander Kenworthy and the Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies we may remark that the Labour member for Central Hull is famed for the quantity rather than the quality of his questions in the House. Their number has reached such proportions to become a regular standby of the humorous papers. He is also a very good boxer. We know of only one person, however, who regards Commander Kenworthy as possessing in a marked degree the makings of a statesman. And that person is the member for Central Hull. We could, of course, have scrapped the cable reporting the incident but isolated action is utterly useless in such circumstances.

News in Brief

Capt. A. Torrible, a popular Yangtze skipper, retired recently from Butterfield and Swire's after 23 years' service—22 of them in command.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months from date the Hong Kong and Japan Estate Company, Limited will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the register of companies and be dissolved.

The annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade will be carried out by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern) on the Murray Parade Ground on March 27 at 5.15 p.m.

Yesterday afternoon the Staff of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. gave a tea party in honour of Mr. J. L. McPherson, on the occasion of his completing 25 years as General Secretary. Mr. McPherson was presented with a beautiful lacquered desk set.

A Chinese married woman of 149, Reclamation Street, 2nd floor was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with putting lye into a drink intended for her daughter-in-law. Det.-Inspector Fallon prosecuted, and His Worship ordered a remand.

The newly opened Kowloon Branch of the Helena May Institute held its first musical entertainment last evening. The artists, included Mr. J. Braga (violinist), Miss Carrie Braga (pianist), and Madame Carola (soprano). Instrumental items were contributed by Mrs. Arnold, Miss C. Braga, and Mr. J. Braga.

There will be a Ballad Concert at the Helena May Institute on Thursday March 20, at 5.30 p.m. Items by Mrs. K. V. R. Benfield, Mrs. G. Timson, Mrs. R. Sanger, Mrs. O. C. WOMACK, Mr. R. A. Green, Miss Acheson, Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips and Mr. R. Mason. Tickets 50 cents. Members, 30 cents. Soldiers and sailors in uniform and children half price. Teas must be booked in advance.—Advt.

That there is a prospect of an amicable settlement of the matrimonial difficulties of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Soares, was indicated at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith (Magistrate) mentioned that Miss Soares, the defendant's sister, had said that she was willing to leave her brother's house which would lead to a settlement of the affair. The summons was accordingly adjourned for a week.

TELEPHONE CO.

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paid shares of the Company on June 30, 1930. Formal notice of such call, as required by the Articles of Association, will be duly given to all Members.

The results of the Company's operation under the New Automatic System during the present year will have to be considered before it will be possible for your Directors to ascertain whether increased rates of subscription are necessary to enable the Company to receive a return on its investment in the manner contemplated by the Telephone Ordinance. In this connection it is the earnest desire of your Company to maintain, if possible, its present rates of subscription, notwithstanding its heavy capital outlay in the purchase of the new automatic equipment, and the reconstruction of its line plant, but the serious fall in the purchasing power of the Hong Kong dollar must of necessity result in a very material increase in both construction and maintenance costs.

Changes in the System I would now refer to the subject of the replacement by the Company of its overhead wires by underground cables in accordance with the terms of the Telephone Ordinance, and I feel sure shareholders will be gratified to learn that not only have all overhead wires in the City of Victoria been replaced, wherever practicable, by underground cables, but, following a progressive policy, similar replacement has been extended to districts outside the City limits.

The completion of this work has only been rendered possible by the adoption of an intensive reconstruction programme and by the expenditure of large sums on new underground ducts and cables—1,076.53 circuit miles of underground cable and 49,431 circuit miles of covered distribution having been laid down during the year under review. In addition, a new submarine cable providing a further 100 channels of communication between Hong Kong and Kowloon, was successfully laid in the early part of the year, and 464 additional exchange lines were connected up which, I think you will agree, is extremely satisfactory.

The proposal to accept the Report and Accounts, which was seconded by Mr. J. P. Warren, was carried unanimously.

Other Business

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall and Mr. D. H. Blake, retiring Directors, were re-elected on the motion of Mr. E. M. Raymond, seconded by Mr. D. H. Tollan.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-elected Auditors on the motion of Mr. E. M. Raymond, seconded by Mr. D. H. Tollan.

Canton Trunk Line Shareholders will be interested to learn that very definite progress has been made in the negotiations for the establishment of a trunk telephone service between Hong Kong and Canton, and, subject to Government approval of the project, it is possible that the trunk service will be inaugurated in approximately one year from date. If the work is carried out in the manner contemplated by your Company, it should result in 24 lines, operating on no-delay basis, being available for telephone calls between the two cities. These lines will be carried in a special underground cable, and consequently there should be no interruption to the service even during the worst weather condition. A service operating on these lines should prove an inestimable boon to merchants in Hong Kong and Canton, who would then be able to get into direct and immediate communication with each other for their transaction of business.

In the trunk cable referred to, it is the intention of your Company to make provision for the installation of lines to Swatow at a later date, as your Company feels that with the rapid strides now being made in the field of long-distance telephony, it will only be a question of time before telephone service between Hong Kong and all important cities in China, and eventually beyond, will become an accomplished fact.

I now formally propose that the report of the Directors and the account for the financial year ended December 31, 1929, as presented be adopted, with the appropriations shown in Profit and Loss Appropriation Account, and that the balance of \$142,627.97, remaining at credit of that Account, be appropriated as follow:—Payment of a final dividend of 4 per cent, making a total of 8 per cent, for the year, \$91,992.70; carry forward to next account, \$30,635.27.

The proposal to accept the Report and Accounts, which was seconded by Mr. J. P. Warren, was carried unanimously.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

The chairman stated that dividend warrants are now ready and may be obtained on application at the Registered Office of the Company.

Supporting the Chairman were Mr. J. H. Taggart (Managing Director), the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., Messrs. R. G. Shewan, J. P. Warren (Directors), Mr. J. P. Sherry (Manager) and Mr. W. L. McKenzie, A.C.A. (Secretary).

PREHISTORIC AXE

Find by Workmen When Roadmaking

A battle-axe, said to be 2,500 years old, has been found by workmen while making a new road near Schwanau, in Lower Austria.

The axe is of fine workmanship and has decorative designs scratched on its surface. It is highly polished.

In the neighbourhood the remains of a Roman villa have been unearthed and an empty Roman grave has been found.

Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones has been appointed District Officer, Northern and Southern Districts, New Territories, with effect from March 15.

Mrs. James Rutland, Lord Ashfield's eldest daughter, who married Mr. James H. Rutland in June 1927, gave birth to a son and heir at their home in South Street, Park Lane, W.

Mr. Sidney Harold Freeth, aged 26, who had been in ill-health for some years, was found dead in his home in Wood Street, near Guildford, Surrey, having apparently shot himself in the head with a sporting gun.

Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail"]
March 15, 1920.

To-day's dollar is worth 4/-.

The Hong Kong man will get angry with the rikisha coolie who expects and asks ten cents for a five cent fare. He accuses his tailor of profiteering and raves about increased rents. He cannot see why tobacco should be so infernally dear. His boy's request for a rise of wages appears to him unreasonable. He looks upon the extra charge for theatre tickets as an imposition. The high cost of living is what he calls a scandal. Yet he will go to a house with a "Big Number" and pay five dollars for a drink he doesn't want, as cheerfully as anything.

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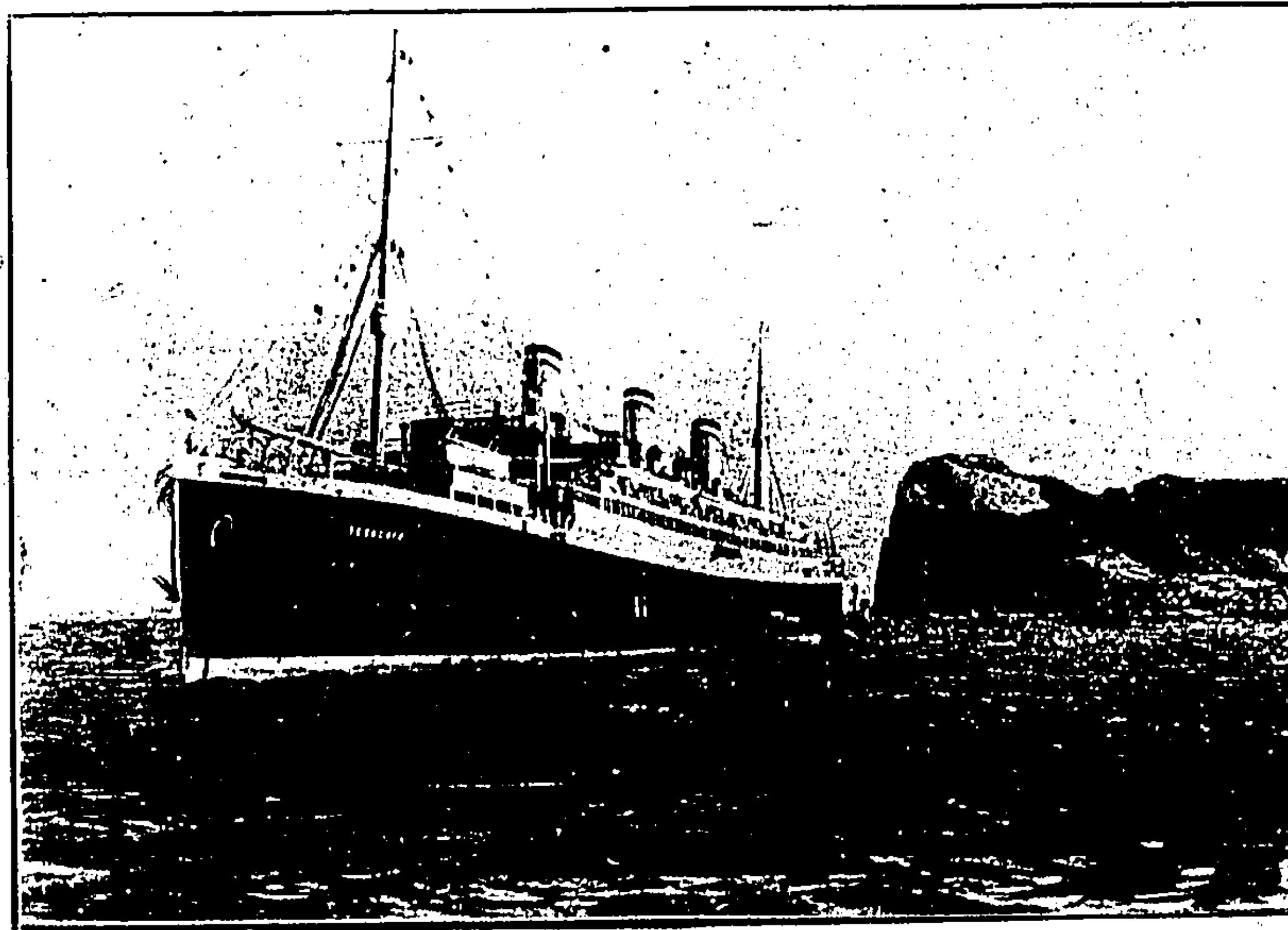
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HONG KONG WEDDING.—Mr. R. G. Robertson, of the Prison Department, Hong Kong, and Miss Ivy Clementine Maud Van Dooren, who were married at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, on March 3. — (Welcome Studio).



(Above).—THEY LOOK HAPPY.—A merry group of dancers, in a variety of picturesque costumes, who attended the S.P.C.A. masked ball at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday last.—(K. Fujiyama).



(Above).—The triple-screw de luxe steamer "Resolute," of the Hamburg-America Line, off Gibraltar. This vessel is on a world cruise and is coming to Hong Kong on March 26.



DINING ROOM on board the triple-screw de luxe steamer Resolute, of the Hamburg-America Line, coming to Hong Kong on March 26.



(At left).—HONEYMOON COUPLE DEAD.—Two passengers, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hodges, returning from a honeymoon trip, were killed, and the pilot, mechanic, steward and another passenger injured, when a French Goliat Air Liner from Paris crashed at Marden, Kent, on February 10, on its way to London. The pilot was attempting to land on the emergency aerodrome near Marden, when the machine suddenly nosedived, crashed to the ground, and burst into flames. — (Sport and General).



A. MIGHTY EFFORT.—Athletics Inter-College sports at Fanner's ground, Cambridge, between Emmanuel and Queen's Colleges. A mighty effort by E. W. Revans, who is seen winning the Long Jump at 21ft. 9 ins.—(Sport and General).



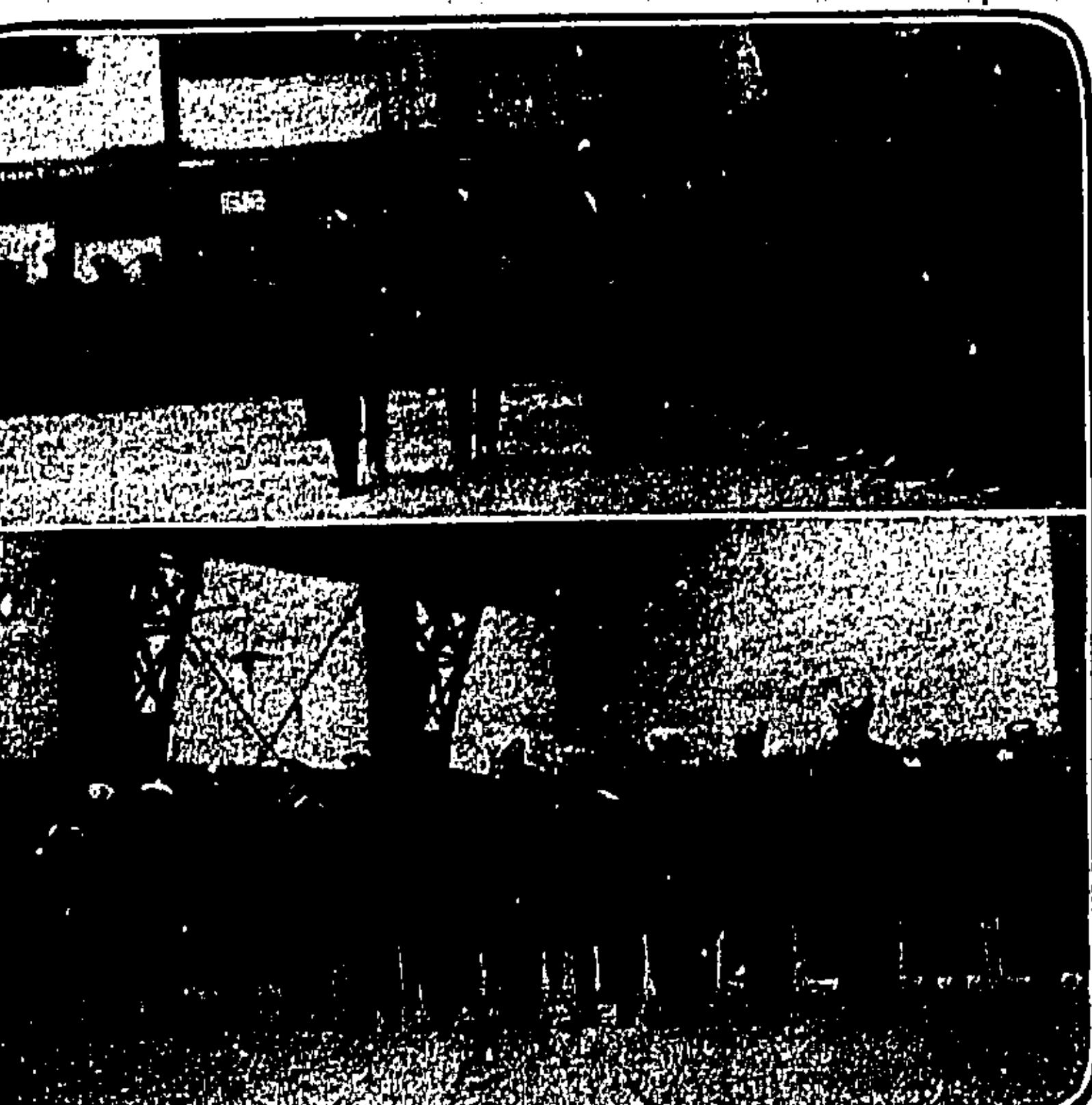
DEPARTURE OF THE WILTSHIRE REGIMENT.—The second battalion of the Wiltshire Regiment sailed from Shanghai aboard H.M.T. Neuralla. Photograph was taken at the Old Ningpo Wharf, before embarking.—(Photo by Ah Fong).



PENINSULA BAND.—Members of the Peninsula Hotel Orchestra at the S.P.C.A. fancy dress ball at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday last.—(K. Fujiyama).



THE "NOTABLES."—Members of the "Notables" party at S.P.C.A. masked, fancy-dress ball at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday last.—(K. Fujiyama).



POLICE PARADE AT DRILL HALL.—The S.V.C. Drill Hall, Shanghai, was the scene of the presentation of medals to several members of the Shanghai Municipal Police by Mr. H. E. Arnold, Chairman of the Council, at a big parade of the Police Force. Upper: Mr. Arnold inspecting the ranks. Lower: Some recipients of the medals.—(Photo by Ah Fong).



The WOMAN'S Page



COLOUR PROBLEM

A Passion with Most Women

Edward H. Symonds, Managing Director of Reville, the World-famous House of Fashion, writes:

The colour problem is seriously occupying the minds of people in all parts of the world.

If colour were only to please men the problem would be simple. All find like blue, and most have no objection to brown. Beyond that the ordinary husband finds it difficult to go. He is lost among the yellow-greens, the beiges and the cyclamens. Women on the other hand have a passion for colour and are acquiring courage in its use.

The well-dressed woman is a permanent advertisement of the prosperity and generosity of her husband, and for this reason he is willing to allow her to forego the stan-

The Domino Model



This pretty hat is made in black and white Crystal straw, and on account of its strong contrast, it has been christened the "Domino" Model.—(Reslaw, London).

dard brown or blue if only she can persuade him that other women are doing the same.

For centuries there has been nothing more difficult than to find a plain fabric which is a perfect mate for any of the tones in a printed fabric or a velvet. In home furnishings as in clothes, carpets, curtains and leathers which can be honestly brought together in one room where perfect tone-relationship is desired, are hard to find, unless you can afford the expense and are prepared to wait for special dyeing.

It is hoped the remedy for this will be found by the British Colour Council. Around their basic seasonal colours the manufacturers, dyers and retailers will be welcome to ring the changes in whatever range of sub-colours they desire. The wider the range of sub-tones from light to dark—with the basic shade in the centre—the greater will be the success of the scheme for consumer, retailer and manufacturer alike.

Women should certainly pour out their blessings on any such all-embracing scheme as that, for if successful it would enable them to buy at any one shop a complete outfit from hat to shoes in as wide a range of one colour as they may fancy, and have the satisfaction of knowing that each individual colour scheme was as perfect as any Royal Academician could arrange.

Colours will not be standardised in an effort to force women to adopt a certain set of shades, to the exclusion of all others. Any such scheme would fail, for no other

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FASHIONS FOR SPRING



Above are illustrated some new and fascinating styles adapted to the various occasions of smart modern life. They offer a new period of discrimination—fashions so intelligently varied that they provide the appropriate costume for every hour of the day—individual styles for morning, afternoon, evening and night. Every question of length, silhouette, sleeve, neckline and style detail is answered in this comprehensive collection. The fashions sketched present an accurate picture of the Spring mode—illustrating when and how they are worn with certain fashion-correctness.

For Morning—Dresses, suits or coats of the tailored type with skirts four to five inches below the knee.

For Afternoon—Coats with dressing details—Dresses of soft lines—short sleeves. Slightly dipping or even hemlines, thirteen inches from the floor.

For Evening—Long trailing lines—in dresses. Flares and softly draped wraps.

For Night—Gowns and negligees that follow dress silhouettes—of sheer silks—black and pastels important.

DRESSES TO CHANGE MUSIC

"The new long dresses will help to change music," says Harry Tierney, composer of "Rio Rita", now doing the music for Radio Pictures' "Dixiana." "Rhythms are returning to the stately tempo of the waltz and the minuet. The public is vibrating now toward better music. People are super-saturated with the dance themes. My vision is of a day when every one hears won't be a fox trot."

Tierney has had a career of brilliant successes with "Irene," "Kid Boots," three editions of the Folies for Florenz Ziegfeld, and numerous other musical shows. "Alice Blue Gown" is one of his song hits.

reason than the dislike of women for anything which savours of standardisation.

Even conservative man no longer buys a shirt, from one department and a tie from another indiscriminately; he also demands colour-relationship, and sometimes may be more particular that his suit, collar, tie and socks are in correct tone, than any woman would be over her "ensemble."

MEDLEY OF GARMENTS

Many women ruin their appearance by a medley of garments. The frock, the shoes, the hat, bear no relation to one another. Fashion insists on a perfect colour harmony. Of course every woman cannot afford to buy accessories to match every frock in her possession, but many women make the mistake of buying an ensemble that will not go with anything else in their wardrobes. Ask yourself when you are buying a hat, a bag or some other item "Will it go with anything else?" and you will save yourself a lot of unnecessary expense and your appearance will benefit immeasurably.

Proper clothes, carefully selected and adapted to one's figure and personality will turn a drab looking woman into a radiant creature. Becoming clothes have a psychological effect, and there is nothing as good as the knowledge that one is smartly and becomingly dressed to completely annihilate an inferiority complex.

WASHING EMBROIDERY

The only certain way to find out whether an embroidery is going to stand the strain of washing is to take a thread of every material used—say silk, wool, and cotton—and test these strands by washing them in hot water and soap. If this is satisfactory, then proceed with care and confidence. Confidence is just as necessary as discretion or the affair will be bungled. The best soap to use is white curd, because this has no soda. Make a good lather of soap and hot (not boiling) water and dip the embroidery in, not rubbing it, but gently pressing it with both hands, washing it as you would a baby's flannels. Rinse in several lukewarm waters till no trace of soap is left. Never under any circumstances wring an embroidered article. Fold it in a thick white towel, then trample the water out by walking on it as the peasant women do. Use two or three towels until all the moisture has been pressed out.

Dry it in this way. Should the embroidery be a cushion cover or about that size, pin a thick wedge of white blotting-paper to the baking-board. Should it be a cloth, pin it to a deal table. The inside door of the store cupboard answers splendidly for a frock or dressing-gown. Stretch the embroidery as tightly as possible over its blotting-paper, pinning it down well with drawing pins. Leave it stretched and drying overnight, and next morning there will be a beautiful clean, crisp piece of needlework waiting as fresh and fine as when the last stitches were taken. There is no need to touch it with an iron.—E. B. in Manchester Guardian.

BACK TO FRONT

How to Wear Your Hat

If you hear a moan coming from the doors of the drapers' shops during the next few months, you will know that it is the modern flapper, who has been used to making a frock out of a couple of yards and a bit, sighing over the necessity for purchasing twice and three times that length of material in order to be in the fashion."

But there is one way in which the young things can relieve, a little, the high cost of fashion. Already, they have discovered that by turning their hats back to front smartness will result.

The narrow brim at the back has characterised all the headgear for some time past; now the milliners have decided that all the brim must be at the back in order to show our eyes to the world. But the flapper wasn't to be doddled as easily as that, so she simply turned all her felt models round about. The result is as charming as it is inexpensive.

SLAVES TO FASHION

Too many women get a general idea of what is in vogue but fail to adapt these ideas to their own personalities. Their slavishness to ideas that do not suit their figure or their personality turns the would-be fashion-plate into a ridiculous parody.

If a phase of the season's fashions does not suit your type, by modifying it to a certain extent so as to do this will give you that touch of individuality that will set you apart from the stereotyped uniformity of the rest. Perhaps fashion decrees green to be the smart shade. Perhaps green in bulk does not suit you. The woman who wants to look different gets, say, a black frock and by deft touches of this same green here and there and perhaps a touch in her hat and bag, is lifted out of the ordinary in smartness.

Many women have a longing to look different from other women and not merely products of a mass production scheme, but they will not take the trouble to think things out. The purpose of fashion news is merely to inform, and fashion information like any other advice is meant to be absorbed and adapted to suit the problem of each individual.

Overdressing is a common crime cut.

LONG-HAIR AGAIN

The transition of milady's tresses from the bobbed to the long-haired variety has been made almost painless by a recent innovation of Fay Wray, Paramount player.

Miss Wray calls her creation the coiffure-turban, for it covers the entire head in crushed lines to simulate the natural waves of the hair. The turban terminates at the back in collars or chignons adding to their chic imitation of woman's greatest glory.

For evening wear, Miss Wray selects a coiffure-turban in white tulle, crushed snugly to the head and ending in perfect chignon. For dinner and theatre occasions she dons brown velvet, almost the exact shade of her own hair, that uses two smart coils low on the neck.

against fashion. It is simplicity that distinguishes a smart woman from a dowdy one. The woman of poor taste thinks she is well dressed if she is elaborately dressed. The really smart woman never falls into this error. She knows that real chic lies in the lines of a frock rather than in its trimmings, and her money is spent on material and cut.

WOMAN & TROUSERS

Queer Issue in Paris Lawsuit

Paris, February 26.

The question as to woman's right to wear trousers was discussed in a Paris Court this afternoon for four hours.

The Court, after hearing the views of lawyers, both men and women, reserved its decision for eight days.

Violette Morris, the French motorist sportswoman, claimed £8,000 damages from the French Feminine Sporting Federation because she was struck off the membership list on the grounds that it was alleged that she persisted in wearing men's trousers.

In court, Violette Morris was dressed in a man's suit of striped blue with her hair closely cut.

Mlle Nether, representing the sporting organisation, said there

Smart Creation



A smart creation with a jaunty knot in front.—(Reslaw, London).

was the delicate question of the influence which a striking personality like Violette Morris might have on the young girls in the Federation.

HATS REVEAL FOREHEADS

The forehead, so long submerged beneath curly and batbrims, has at last come out of concealment. From eyebrows to hairline, foreheads are revealed by coiffures and hats. Mary Brian wears three chic millinery models for her role in Paramount's production, "Burning Up."

One in crushed raspberry velvet boasts a large brim that turns up at the front and cascades to smart length at the back. For smart street wear a beige felt is used, but its small brim starts in the very middle of the crown and descends just back of the ears. A turban of black velvet is crushed becomingly off the forehead, and terminated at the back in a long pointed bow.

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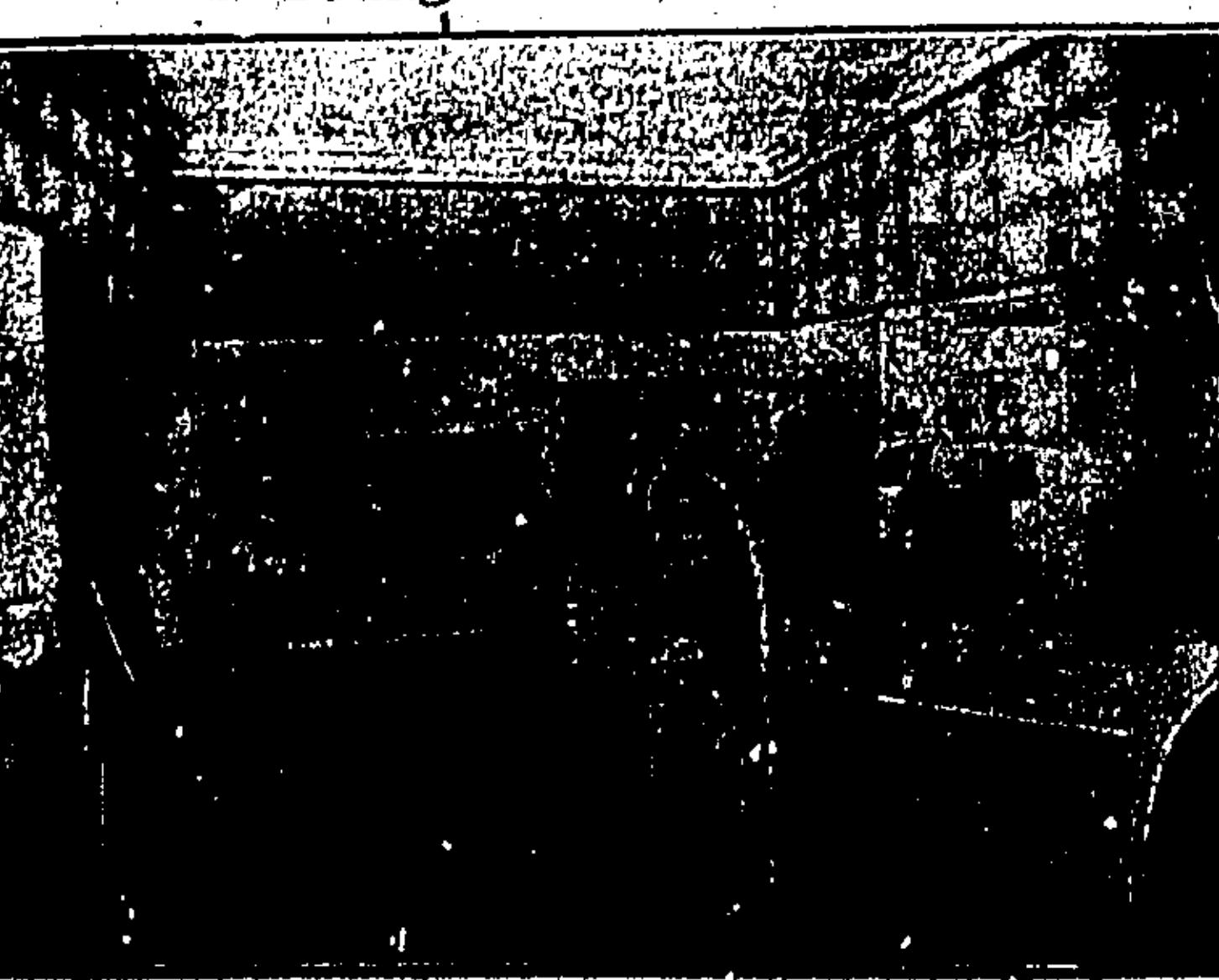
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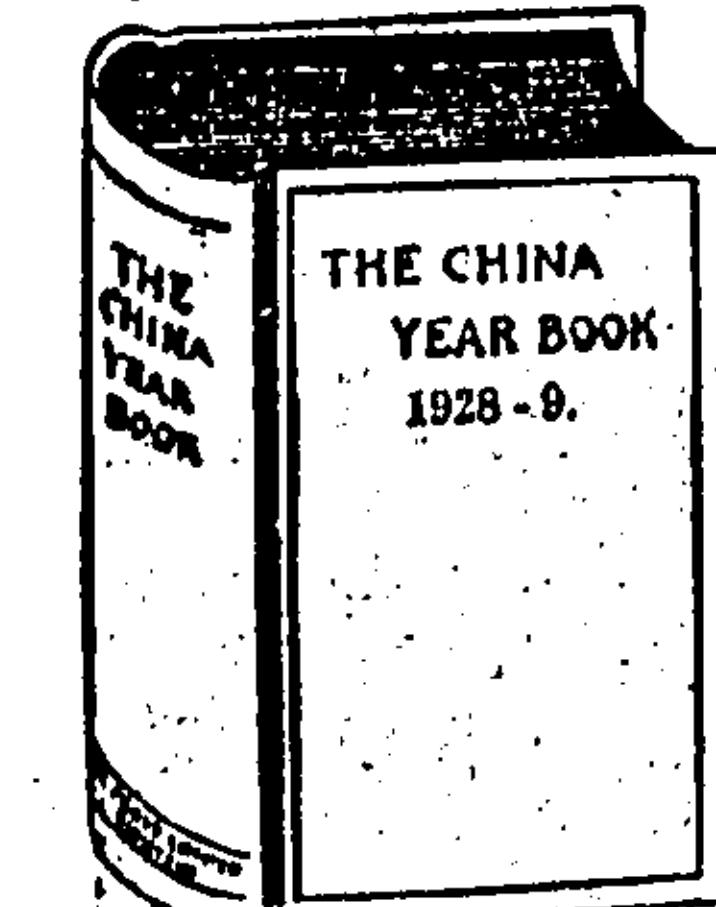
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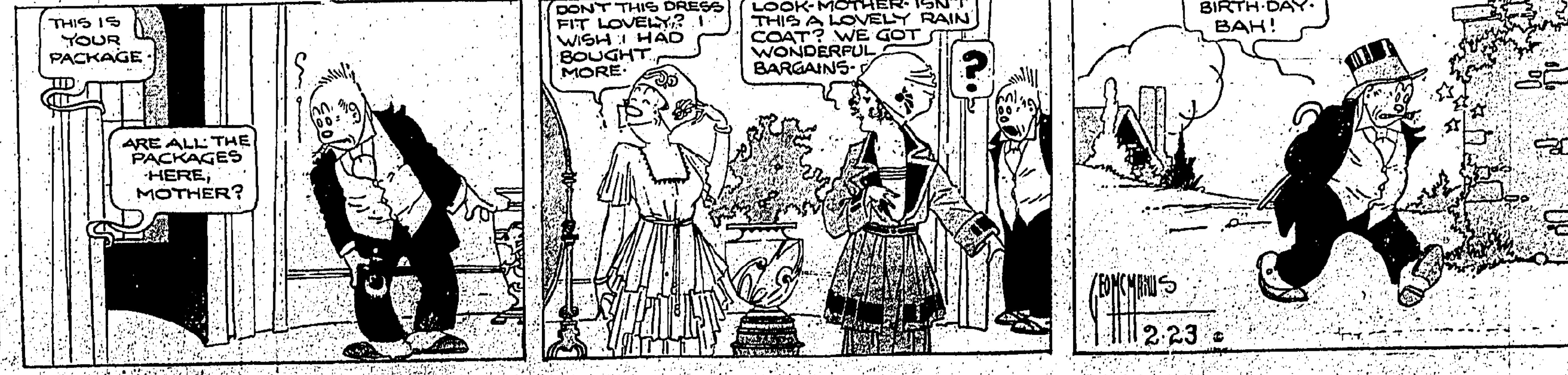
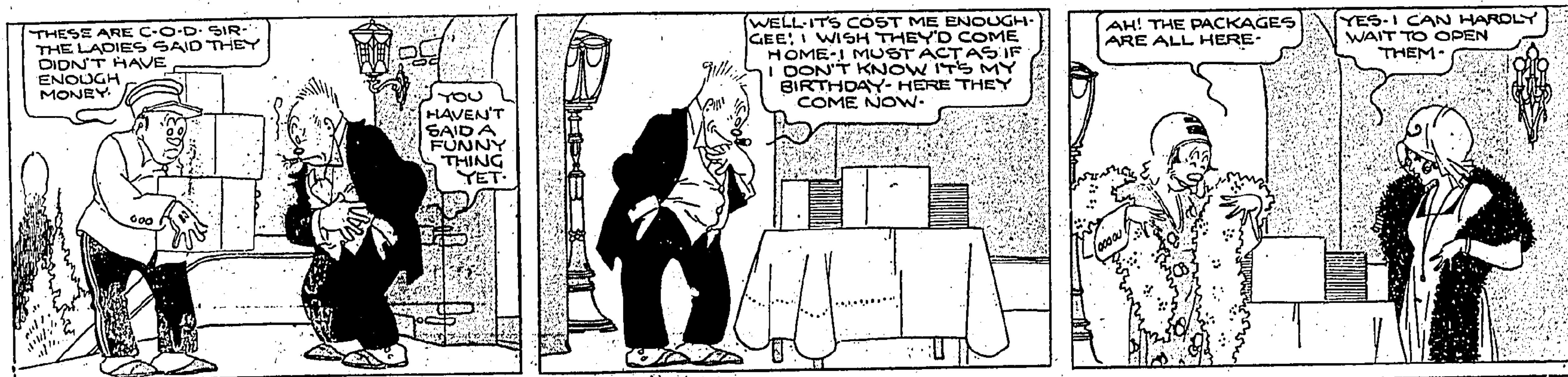
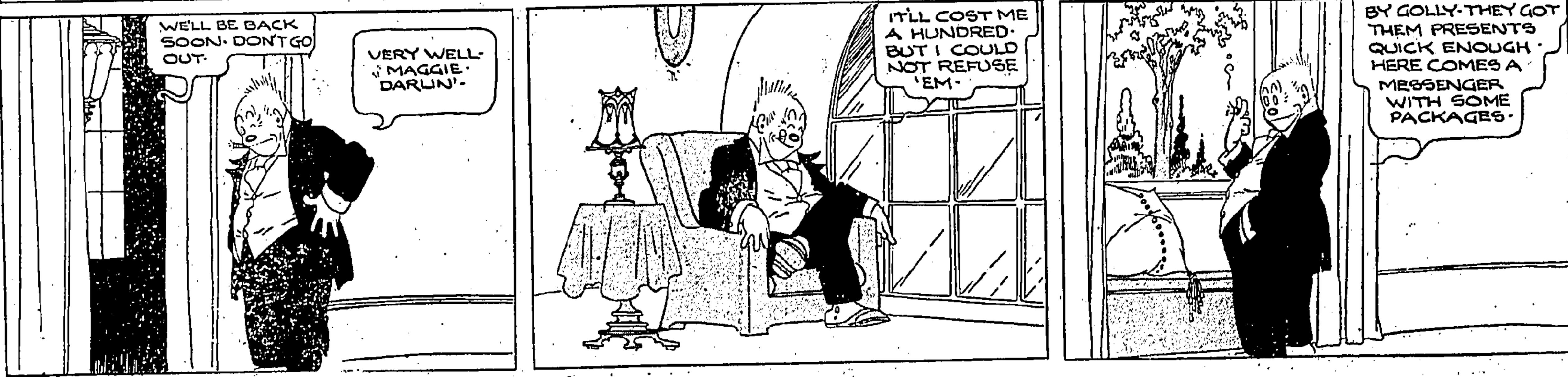
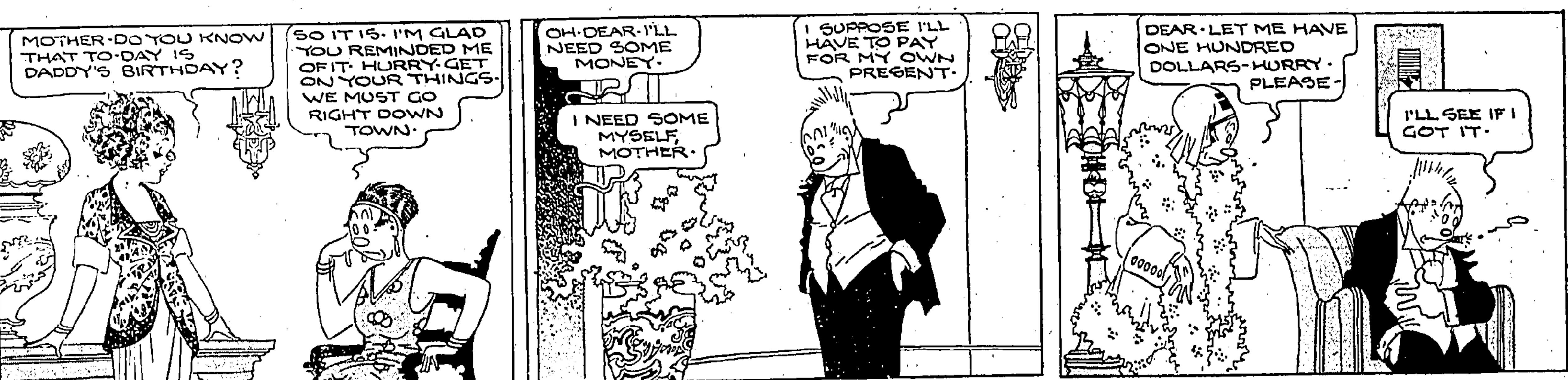
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WOMEN'S CROSS-COUNTRY "NATIONAL."—There was a record entry for the fourth women's national cross country championship held at Stace Hill Farm, Wolverton, Bucks, over a very severe course of 2 miles 7 furlongs. The 130 starters represented 17 teams and 8 individual entrants.—(Sport and General).



A FINE LEAP.—The match between England and the rest at Iford Football Club ground, Ilford, Essex, on February 1, resulted in a heavy defeat for England by seven goals to nil. Millington (the Rest goalkeeper) makes a gigantic leap for the ball, while A. G. Doggart (England) crouching on right, waits for the sequel.—(Sport and General).



END OF THE MILE.—The finals of the Eton College mile were held on the Dorney Road, Eton, on February 14. The finish of the Senior Mile (final), won by Lord J. A. Hope. Note the number of camera enthusiasts amongst the schoolboys.—(Sport and General).



CHARING CROSS BRIDGE SCHEME.—To demonstrate the effect of the new Charing Cross Bridge on traffic routes Mr. John B. Thorp and his son are engaged in constructing a scale model of a part of central London for the Ministry of Transport and the London County Council. Mr. John B. Thorp at work on the model.—(Sport and General).



A NASTY SPILL.—The Oxford v. Cambridge Inter-Varsity motor trial started from Tring, Herts, on February 15, and covered a course of 82 miles, including the Chiltern Hills. Chris, Motor cycles and three-wheelers took part in the event. E. S. Chapman (Cambridge) has a nasty crash at Lewknor Hill, on a "Velocette."—(Sport and General).



(Above).—A FAVOURITE.—Candidates prominent in the betting for the Grand National to be run at Aintree, Liverpool, on Friday, March 28. Mr. J. H. Whitney's "Easter Hero" (F. Rees up).—(Sport and General).



LURE OF PAUL ROBESON.—There were "Kreisler scenes" at the entrances to the Albert Hall, London, when thousands of admirers struggled to hear Paul Robeson's recital. The great negro singer is now definitely in the best "emotion" class of musicians, and enjoying so great a vogue that he has not yet attempted to vary his programme.—(Sport and General).



(Above).—A CLEAN JUMP.—Candidates prominent in the betting for the Grand National to be run at Aintree, Liverpool, on Friday, March 28, 1930. Mr. C. R. Taylor's "Crakle" (J. Maloney).—(Sport and General).



NEW SPANISH GOVERNMENT.—The first meeting of the new Cabinet which has succeeded the Dictatorship of General Primo de Rivera. Left to right: Dr. L. Goldó Matos (Minister of Fomento (Promotion of National Wealth)); Admiral Carrera (Naval Ministry); General Meles (Minister of War); General Sanjurjo (Premier); Señor Estrada (Minister of Finance); and Minister without Portfolio, Dr. José Alba (Minister of Education and Fine Arts).—(Sport and General).



A CHEERFUL CROWD.—The fifth round of the Football Association Cup between West Ham United and Middlesbrough at Upton Park, with a 24,000 crowd waxed enthusiastic when West Ham won by four goals to one.—(Sport and General).



THE SUN CRAZE.—By means of a new system of lighting devised by Mr. Rosenberg and installed in a specially built "Solarium" at Tollards Royal Hotel, Bournemouth, guests are able to benefit by the Sun-Rays at any hour. The Solarium, (a specially constructed room with large windows of "Vita-Glass") is used by the guests, and when the natural supply of sunlight falls, the supply of synthetic sunshine (from the overhead lamps) is switched on.—(Sport and General).

Sport Columns

LADIES AT CRICKET IN MALAYA

FUN AT FRAZER'S HILL!

HANDICAPPED MEN!

There was a large gathering at Fraser's Hill for the Hari Raya week end, and all available accommodation was booked up.

On March 1 there was a well attended dance at the Selangor Club, and the following day the golf course was crowded.

On March 3, there was an all day cricket match.

Ladies v. Gentlemen

Miss Cantrell captained the Ladies, and Mr. Steele, the Gentlemen, who were handicapped by playing left handed, and wearing sarongs, whilst the ladies were helped by being allowed an extra player. Mrs. Huggins and Mrs. Upton were first to go in to bat.

Mrs. Huggins held her wicket for half the innings, defying both the craft and swiftness of various bowlers. She knocked up a score of 47 before her wicket fell to a ball from Major Huxtable.

Much amusement was caused at the efforts of the men to control their sarongs. The gentlemen made 123 runs, beating the ladies by 27.

The following were the teams:

Ladies: Mrs. Huggins, Mrs. Upton, Mrs. Woodroffe, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Nicoll, Mrs. Huxtable, Miss Cantrell, (Captain) Miss P. Grenier, Miss Grenier, Mrs. Steedman, and Mrs. Baillie.

Gentlemen: Mr. Clarke, Mr. Wright, Mr. Baillie, Mr. Huggins, Mr. Nicoll, Mr. Irvin, Mr. Mackintyre, Mr. Alright, Major Huxtable, Mr. Steele (Captain), and Mr. Astington.

Thanks are due to Miss Cantrell and Mr. Steele for organising the first game of cricket on the Hill, and an amusing day was brought to a close by a dance at the Club.

H.K.C.C. Teams for This Afternoon

The following will represent the H.K.C.C. in matches to be played this afternoon:

1st XI v. K.C.C. (F) Away:— T. E. Pearce, A. C. I. Bowker, A. C. Beck, K. H. Batger, E. R. Duckitt, J. R. Hinton, H. Owen Hughes, E. J. R. Mitchell, O. E. Marton, and A. Reid.

2nd XI v. K.C.C. (L) Home:— W. W. Mackenzie, J. H. Ashworth, H. J. Armstrong, R. K. Hepburn, C. E. Gahagan, W. H. Walker, J. R. Way, G. Walsh, R. H. D. Wade, and R. M. Wood.

GOLF

To-morrow at Fanling

The Royal Hong Kong Golf Club notifies the following starting times for to-morrow:—

9.12 a.m. Capt. Riggs, J. Morris. 9.28 " C. J. Waddell, S. C. Feltham. 9.32 " J. W. Robertson, C. C. Roberts. 9.36 " A. Anderson, W. J. S. Key. 9.40 " P. Morrison, D. Ellis. 9.44 " D. J. Gilmore, R. K. Hepburn. 9.48 " E. N. Monie, D. S. Edward. 9.52 " J. D. Thomson, D. Christie. 9.56 " W. Paterson, I. B. Trevor. 10.00 " W. Kent, H. Hampton. 10.04 " M. G. Mills, A. C. I. Bowker. 10.08 " I. G. Campbell, J. Forbes. 10.12 " V. R. Gordon, A. Reed. 10.16 " W. A. Butterfield, J. P. Sherry. 10.20 " J. S. Drummond, C. H. Bradley. 10.24 " T. R. Price, D. M. Goodall.

Our Sports Diary

LOCAL

Football — To-day — League Senior: Navy v. St. Joseph's, South China v. Club, Police v. Recreio, Kowloon v. Somersets; Junior: Navy v. Recreio, South China "B" v. R.A. St. Joseph's v. Eastern, South China "A" v. University, R.A.M.C. v. Kowloon, Chinese "A" v. Chinese "B".

March 22—Sunday Herald Cup Final, 4.30 p.m.

April 5—Junior and Senior Shield Finals.

Cricket — To-day — League, Division I.—University v. C.S.C.C.; Division II: Craigengower v. C.S.C.C., H.K.C.C. v. Kowloon C.C.; Friendly—Division I: Kowloon C.C. v. H.K.C.C., University v. Army; Division II: I.R.C. v. Recreio, Police v. D.B.S.

Sunday—Phoenix v. Dr. Ponsonby-Fane's Educational XI, Pokfulam, 11 a.m.

Fanling—Hunt — To-day—Hounds Meet, Hunters' Arms, 3 p.m.

Sunday—Steeplechase meeting, 3 p.m. Kwanti.

Tennis — Monday—H.K.C.C. Tournament (weather permitting).

Hockey — Monday—Club v. H.K.S.R.A., Marina ground, 5 p.m.

Golf — To-day—Bogey Pool, Fanling.

Sunday—Bogey Pool, Fanling; K.C.C. Mead Cup, Kowloon City course.

Rugby Football — To-day—Final of Triangular Tournament: Club v. Navy, Club ground, Happy Valley.

Rifle Shooting—April 20 and 21—Volunteers' annual rifle meeting, Stonecutter's.

HOME

Association Football—To-day—Scotland v. England (Amateurs), Glasgow.

March 22—English and Scottish Cups—Semi-Final Ties.

Rugby Football — To-day—England v. Scotland (Calcutta Cup), Twickenham.

March 22—Army v. Royal Air Force, Twickenham.

Racing—March 22—Imperial Cup Sandown Park.

March 23—Grand National, Liverpool.

March 29—Liverpool Hurdle Race; Champion Steeplechase, Liverpool.

Hockey—To-day—Wales v. England.

March 22—England v. Scotland.

March 29—Ireland v. England.

Athletics—March 22—International Cross-Country Race.

Golf—March 25-26—Oxford v. Cambridge, Hoylake.

Motor Cycling—March 22—Leeds M.C. Open £200 Trial.

Billiards—February 21 to

March 29—Amateur Championship, London.

RECORDS CHALLENGED

When charged before Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham to-day with returning from banishment before the period of ten years for which he was sent away had expired, a Chinese questioned the accuracy of the Police records by saying that at the time he was banished he was 48 years of age, and now he was 58!

The Police records showed that he was banished in 1923 after he had served a term of imprisonment for smuggling 14 revolvers into Hong Kong on board an American ship.

Mr. Grantham, of course, gave credence to the records and sentenced accused to 12 months' hard labour.

TENNIS

Rumjahn Hard Pressed at the H.K.C.C.

GREAT RECOVERY BY LO

Yesterday afternoon was good for tennis in the early part, but later, spots of rain and bad light caused play to be abandoned.

In the Open Singles, two good matches were seen. S. A. Rumjahn entered the fourth round by defeating Cheng Chi-wing after a stern battle.

"S. A." was leading 6-1 in the first set, but Cheng evened matters up by taking the next three games. He lost the set at 6-4. The second set provided the thrills.

Cheng, playing his usual steady game to advantage, was leading 5-3, to the delight of the many Chinese spectators; but splendid play by Rumjahn took the score to 5-5.

Rumjahn then seemed a little rattled, and was double faulting and missing smashes at the net. Cheng won the next game to give him the lead 6-5, but Rumjahn came into his own and by brilliant play took the set at 8-6.

The third set did not provide much excitement, as Cheng seemed to tire and Rumjahn had matters practically his own way.

Cheng has a victory over M. W. Lo to his credit, but he must improve his forehand shots—his back hand is very strong indeed—if he is to gain championship honours. It looks as if S. A. Rumjahn will carry off the Open Singles this year.

M. W. Lo received a shock when Ng Sze-cheung took the first set off him at 6-2 and was leading 5-3 in the second set.

Lo, however, drew level and took the set at 7-5 by superior court craft.

Lo won the third set comfortably, and was leading 3-2 in the fourth set when bad light stopped play.

Ng Sze-cheung was playing very steadily and was causing Lo a great deal of anxiety. He is a very interesting player to watch; at times he resorts to the under-arm service with a tremendous spin on it, but, taking him all round, he is too lazy, and his opponents gain valuable points by shortening their length. He must get over this fault and then perhaps he may be in the running for championship honours.

Following are the full scores:—

Open Singles (third round)—S. A. Rumjahn beat Cheng Chi-wing 6-4, 6-2; in the match between Lo and Ng Sze-cheung, the former was leading 2-6, 7-5, 6-1, 3-2, when it was abandoned.

Club Championship (second round)—S. E. Green beat J. A. Summers 6-4, 6-2.

Handicap Singles "B" (second round)—N. L. H. Ralton (3-6) / J. E. Henry (scr.) 6-8, 6-4, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles (second round)—G. E. R. Divett and E. J. R. Mitchell (rec. 2/8) beat I. S. Harris and A. W. Hay Eagle (rec. 3/8) 3-6, 6-3, 6-0; E. R. Price and T. J. Price (scr.) beat J. Barnes and D. M. McDougal (3/6) 7-5, 6-8, 6-4.

Tennis At Night

Last night on the occasion of an informal opening a large number of members of the staff of the China Light and Power Company indulged in an enjoyable game of tennis by artificial light. The court has been illuminated by eight arc lamps.

V.R.C.

Flourishing Financial Condition

ANNUAL MEETING

An improved financial position was reported at the annual general meeting of the Victoria Recreation Club, held yesterday evening, under the chairmanship of Mr. W. Logan.

The Chairman drew attention to the renovation of the premises. He remarked that the Club had started the previous year with a loss of \$200. They had written off the sum of \$1,895, but they commenced the present year with a cash balance of \$1,250, without any outstanding liabilities. (Applause).

The membership was now 181, 48 new members having enrolled during the year. He would like to see the Club attain its one-time membership of 450.

Mr. Logan then referred to a letter received from the Chairman of the Club, the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G., who expressed regret at being unable to attend the meeting, but stated that he was pleased to see the Club in such a flourishing condition. (Applause).

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern was unanimously re-elected Chairman.

Mr. James Stewart and Mr. H. Hyndman were re-elected to the positions of secretary and hon. treasurer, respectively.

The general committee, composed of the following members, were re-elected en bloc:—Messrs. W. Logan, F. W. T. Ross, A. F. B. Silve-Netto, J. R. Soares, A. Alves, J. R. Johnstone, S. A. Marcell, W. Anderson and J. J. Edgar.

The following were elected to the ballotting committee:—Messrs. J. M. M. Alves, F. P. Lenfestey, J. A. Victor, W. F. Kerr, L. Roza Pereira, W. G. Howard, B. Gosano, L. A. Soares, R. W. H. Maynard and W. Foraita.

Mr. W. S. Bailey, who donated \$25 towards club repair expenses, Mr. J. H. R. Hance and Mr. W. G. Goggan, who donated debentures to the Club, were unanimously elected life members.

Mr. D. Lyon expressed thanks to the Club for the honour they had done his father in electing him a life member. His father had hoped to return to Hong Kong, but could not do so.

Bookmakers at Sydney and Melbourne declare that owing to the Australian trade depression betting has decreased by 50 per cent.

HUGE RAT ATTACKS CHILD

EVEN STANDS ITS GROUND AGAINST THE MOTHER

ATTACKER BITTEN

The screams of a Chinese boy of seven years, residing at 86 Tai Hung Li, off North Szechuan Road, Shanghai, alarmed the child's mother. She rushed into the bedroom of the youngster and was badly frightened when a huge rat and a smaller one leaped from the bed where the child was lying.

The boy was bleeding profusely from a bite on the lower lip. The mother, though frightened, courageously made for the rodents, the smaller one fleeing but the big rat standing its ground unafraid. The rat suddenly attacked the woman, inflicting two bites. The mother's cries alarmed the entire household, several male occupants of the home rushing to her rescue.

The savage rodent was cornered but managed to escape after being injured when struck by a bamboo pole in the hands of one of the men. During the attack upon the rat one other person, a male, was bitten on the ankle. The child and mother were taken to the hospital. The Chinese health authorities placed a number of traps about the premises, but the big rat proved too wary and was not caught. Two or three smaller rodents, however, were trapped.

Residents in the vicinity of the home, as well as shop assistants, some of whom claimed to have seen a rat of enormous size during the past few days, turned out en masse to aid in the proposed death hunt for the rodent. The health authorities are also reported to have placed tempting bits of food, poisoned, in various places about the home.

The whole neighbourhood was aroused over the incident, many women expressing fear that they, too, may be attacked by the monster. The home in question is a very old structure and the occupants have been troubled by rats for several years, but not rodents of the size of the one attacking the mother and her child.

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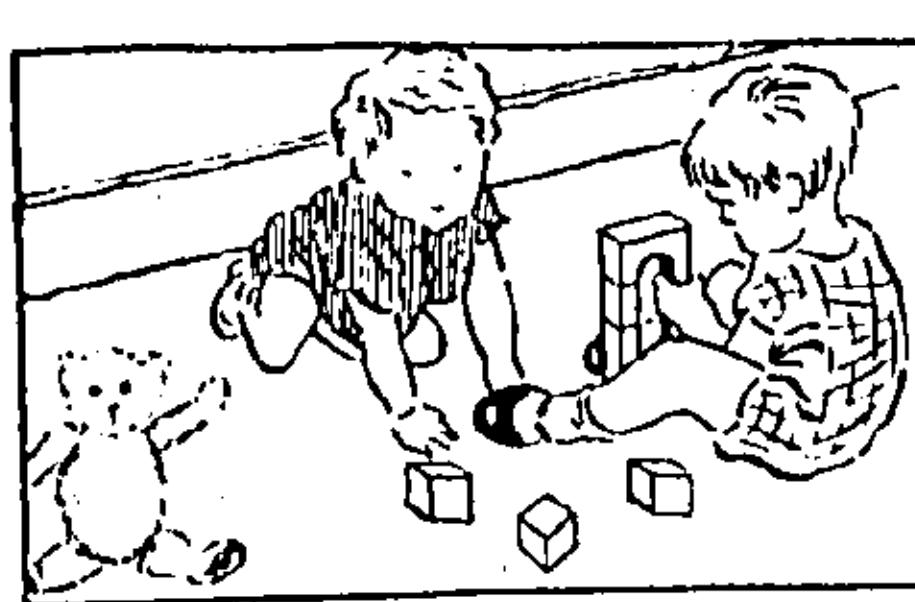
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CHILDREN'S CORNER

THE FRAGRANT NAME

A Russian legend tells of a disobedient angel, who, because she refused to come down to sing for a peasant girl, had to leave Heaven; and come to earth as a little child. On earth she forgot about her former life, even forgot her heavenly name. Yet something seemed to linger. She wondered why names were not sweet-scented like flowers. To have a fragrant name would make her happy, she said.

One who loved her went over the world to find a name, which, being spoken, would give a perfume like scented flowers. He sought in vain until, returning from his quest, he passed a cottage door where an old man stood.

The old man said he knew of such a name, at least his grandchild did, for once in a dream an angel had come to sing to her. When she left she promised that a still more beautiful angel would come, and when she spoke the angel's name the room had been filled as with perfume of flowers.

The girl, however, had unfortunately forgotten the name.

The seeker told his friend of the clue, and she went and sang for the old man's grandchild. It was as if the girl's dream had come true, and in her joy she remembered the angel's name. As she spoke it the cottage was filled with fragrance. Then the other understood. It was the name she had been seeking, her own heavenly name; and she had found it in a sick room in a humble cottage.

There are some names, not only heavenly, but earthly ones, that have the gift of fragrance. They may be ordinary names, yet somehow they are of a sweet savour. We hold them in memory as we hold a rose in the hand. It may be a mother's name, or a father's, or a friend's; it may be the name of some humble man or woman who helped us to believe in goodness and in God.

When Robert Louis Stevenson wrote his "Garden of Verses" he dedicated the book to his old nurse.

A MOOR HEN'S NEST

The story is told in London of how a moor hen used bus tickets in the building of her nest in Hyde Park. The moor hen spied two old omnibus tickets, blue and pink, lying on the path by the water. She picked up the blue ticket, but dropped it in trying to secure the pink. Then she then snapped up the pink ticket, but dropped it in an attempt to pick up the blue one as well.

With a still angrier creak she again picked up the pink one, swam to the nest and placed the ticket on it and returned to land for the blue. As she reached it she stopped and turned round to study the effect of her work.

While she gazed at the nest like a lady admiring a hat she just bought a gust of wind caught the pink ticket and carried it off the nest into the water. She swam again, run to the water and swam out to the ticket, which she seized, and plunged so deeply into the fabric of the nest that no pink was visible.

She then returned in leisurely manner for the blue ticket and treated it in a similar fashion.

Corrected

The teacher wrote on the blackboard the sentence, "The toast was drunk in silence." "Write that sentence correctly," he said.

Horace stepped forward and wrote, "The toast was eaten in silence."

Right through his life he kept in touch with her, and sent her a copy of every new book he published. This was his dedication:

"My second mother, my first wife, The angel of my infant life; From the sick child, now well and old, Take, Nurse, the little book you hold."

It is a beautiful thought that we may live so that our names may come to have this gift of fragrance:

THE AGE OF CHALK

A child sees his teacher with a bit of chalk in his hand. What is that chalk to a child, or to the teacher himself? Merely a substance for making white lines on a blackboard. But that bit of chalk is an ancient cemetery, in which lie buried creatures that lived and played their part in the system of things millions of years ago. In the yet warm sea of the slowly cooling planet floated myriads of infusoria, with power to secrete from the sea a sheltering film of lime.

At these tiny myriads died, the facing of lime they wore sank to the bottom. In process of ages this grew to a white slime; some combustion lifted up the seabed, and the white slime became a chalk cliff. And the bit of chalk in the teacher's fingers represents the whole process.

What ages, what revolutions, that little bit of white earth hides in its atoms! It is a perished eternity the teacher holds in his fingers.

JOLLY GAMES

Stammering

An amusing game is stammering. In the simple description of it there is no hint of the stupefied helplessness of the player, and the convulsions of mirth it brings to the listeners.

To play it one person keeps time with a watch, and on the second of a minute, another of the group springs a letter of the alphabet on the selected victim.

All he has to do is to say as many words as he can think of beginning with that letter in the space of 60 seconds. But, strangely enough, he becomes tongue-tied, and cannot think at all—it is thought of six he will be very lucky. The score is kept by one person and the watch by another. Vowels and difficult letters like Z, Q, V, and X, must not be used.

A NEW COLOUR!

Hilda, aged about three, was playing with little Muriel. The two were busy looking at some patterns of dress materials, and Muriel, being a little older, was telling Hilda the names of the various colours—green, blue, dark blue, and so on.

They came to grey. That was more difficult.

"And what is this one?" inquired the younger child.

"That," said Muriel, slowly, "I think, Hilda, that must be dark white!"

Business Is Business

A priest offered a shilling to the boy who could tell him who was the greatest man in history.

"George Washington" answered the American boy.

"Napoleon," answered the French boy.

"Saint Patrick," answered the Scottish boy.

"The money is yours," said the priest. "But why did you say 'Saint Patrick'?"

"In my heart I knew it was William Wallace," replied the Scottish boy. "But business is business."

RECENT JAPANESE STAMPS

Two of the most artistic stamps ever issued, appeared recently in Japan.

They commemorate the completion of the shrine to the late Emperor, and show the building itself, as it stands among the trees with the chrysanthemum symbol of Japan inserted at the top of the stamp.

The delicacy and beauty of these little stamp pictures will appeal to every collector of Japanese art.

One curious fact about the new stamps is that they do not show the value in ordinary figures, only in native characters, though most stamps issued at the present day express their value in the ordinary figures, such as we use.

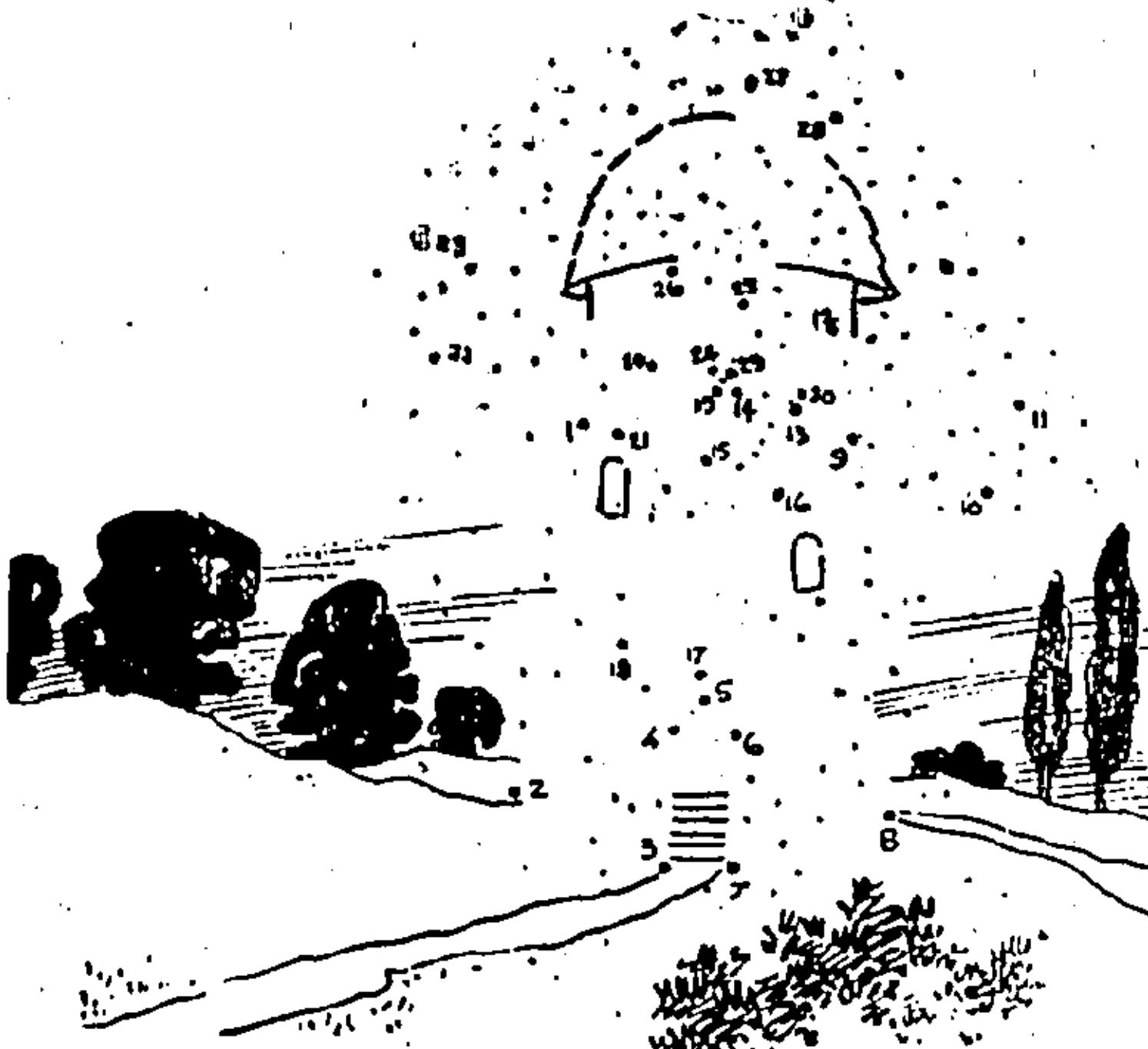
Not Quite Clear

The general knowledge class had been discussing forms of government. The weary teacher at length propounded the question:

"Well, Simpson, what is the difference between a king and a president?"

"Please, sir, a king is the son of his father, but a president isn't."

OUR PICTURE PUZZLE



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SCOUTING IS AN EDUCATION

Sir George Newman, Chief Medical Officer to the Board of Education, in his Annual Report, is warm in his praise of the Boy Scout Movement.

In his report, Sir George Newman says that a quarter to one-third of the children admitted to school at five years are in need of medical attention before they can receive the education which the State provides for them.

In pointing out that until you cultivate and develop the body and brain of the child, all attempts at intellectual instruction will prove futile, Sir George described the Boy Scout Movement as being "a lesson in physical discipline, of educational adventure, of youthful training and glad obedience. It is one of the wise interpretations of that service which is perfect freedom; it educates by equipping the body first and drawing out its faculties and senses; it both harnesses and leads him of his own interest and desire into the path of manual work and the arts and crafts; it trains men, not for the classroom or the pedagogue, but for life."

"Thus, it has become a vast health education movement, doing for the boy what the education authority all too often fail to do. It is perhaps the greatest demonstration in practical education that the world has seen."

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"He that will not stoop for a pin will never be worth a pound."

THE KING IS GLAD

In acknowledging a copy of "The World Jamboree, the Quest of the Golden Arrow," which the Chief Scout, Lord Baden-Powell, sent to H.M. The King, Patron of the Boy Scouts Association, Lord Stamfordham, the King's Private Secretary, has written to the Chief Scout:

"In thanking you for the book His Majesty desires me to say how glad he is to hear of the increase in the number of Scouts both in the British Empire and in the World, and that you can now boast of a total number of 1,000,000."

ALADDIN!

The fourth Annual Pantomime in aid of Roland House, the East London Scout Settlement, was presented recently in King George's Hall, Holborn. This year's Pantomime was entitled "Aladdin," and in a facsimile foreword which Lord Baden-Powell, the Chief Scout, contributed to the programme he wrote as follows:

"Aladdin? That's the fellow who exchanged his new lamp for an old one, and the exchange brought him a wonderful lot of happiness. He was like the boy who exchanges his old clothes for the clean smart uniform of a Scout; he finds that the exchange brings him a wonderful lot of happiness. Well, I hope that a big lot of boys will come to see your pantomime, and will then want to join the Scouts; and in this way I hope that Aladdin will bring many a lad in to our happy brotherhood."



The Old Scout's Column.

The Scout Movement is non-sectarian, non-political, and non-class, so that it is open to all boys who care to abide by its laws and to follow its great motto: "Be Prepared." Scouts, who were but children at Mars' last rattling of the sabre, may bear the brunt of his fury next—"Be Prepared." In the chaos of an upheaval of industry, where class fights class, and there are pitiful, pinched faces of starving children—"Be Prepared." When nature's wrath rocks the earth by quake, wind, drought, fire, flood or pestilence, and many are homeless, penniless, and suffering—"Be Prepared." Whether seeking fresh lands for fortune, fame, or fun, Scouts greet each other with the Scout smile, and extend the hand of help, hospitality, and friendship, contributing to the great work of consolidating peace and eliminating war—"Be Pre-

pared." By diplomacy, a Scout strives to make the world safe for democracy and peace. West meets East in the world-wide Brotherhood of Scouts.

INK FOR BURNS

Ink has been a household remedy in the treatment of burns for many years and few know the reason why.

"Since most black inks are weak solutions of gallotannate of iron, this is another example of justification of the empiric use of an old home remedy. I have seen two cases in which ink was used as a first aid application in the treatment of burns; one on the island of Corregidor, another in Zamboanga, on the island of Mindanao. The first was a severe first degree burn of more than two-thirds of the body, in which an unfavourable prognosis was given. To my surprise, however, the child recovered.

The other was a mild burn which some of the older natives in different barrios I ascertain that ink has been used by their mothers and grandmothers, and is considered a sovereign remedy for burns," says Dr. Stammel.

The new conditions just published for the "Wireless Man" badge, ideals of service have been emphasised. In addition to his having afforded considerable help to others in connection with wireless, the candidate has to know all distress signals and must be able to detect and cure oscillation.

Interesting figures disclosed here for Adornments, the first time reveal Charge? the popularity of these badges. During last year 21,637 ambulance, 13,777 cyclist, 8,031 swimmer, 8,196 messenger and 7,823 pathfinder badges were issued within the Empire. The least popular badges were fireman, sea fisherman, piper, rigger, and pilot. Lord Baden-Powell has often been criticised for encouraging self-adornment by the badge system, before leaving on his present tour he said:

"Love of artificial ornament is a touch of nature that makes the whole world kin." This sort of thing is not confined to women alone. Men are just as bad. How pleased I was when, as a general on the staff, I had aiguillette cords added to my already fairly conspicuous uniform. Men will do anything short of murdering their grandmothers for medals and decorations! It is a strain of vanity in our make-up, and love of display is just a human weakness.

In the Scouts we have immoral, or shall we say common sense, enough to trade upon this trait. We have used it as an incentive to effort by giving decorations for proficiency.

MUD STOPS BLOOD

When a 15-year-old American Boy Scout fell into a creek and severed an artery in his abdomen through breaking a glass bottle, a Boy Scout companion took charge of the situation and rendered valuable first aid. Removing the wounded boy to the bank of the creek the Scout sent a companion to telephone for the ambulance.

Finding his handkerchief too small to staunch the flow of blood from the wound, the Scout used his shirt, and through smearing mud on the outside of the shirt the Scout managed to stop the flow from the artery until the ambulance arrived. The victim was taken to the hospital, where he recovered, and where the surgeon who attended him said that undoubtedly, the Scout's action saved the boy's life.



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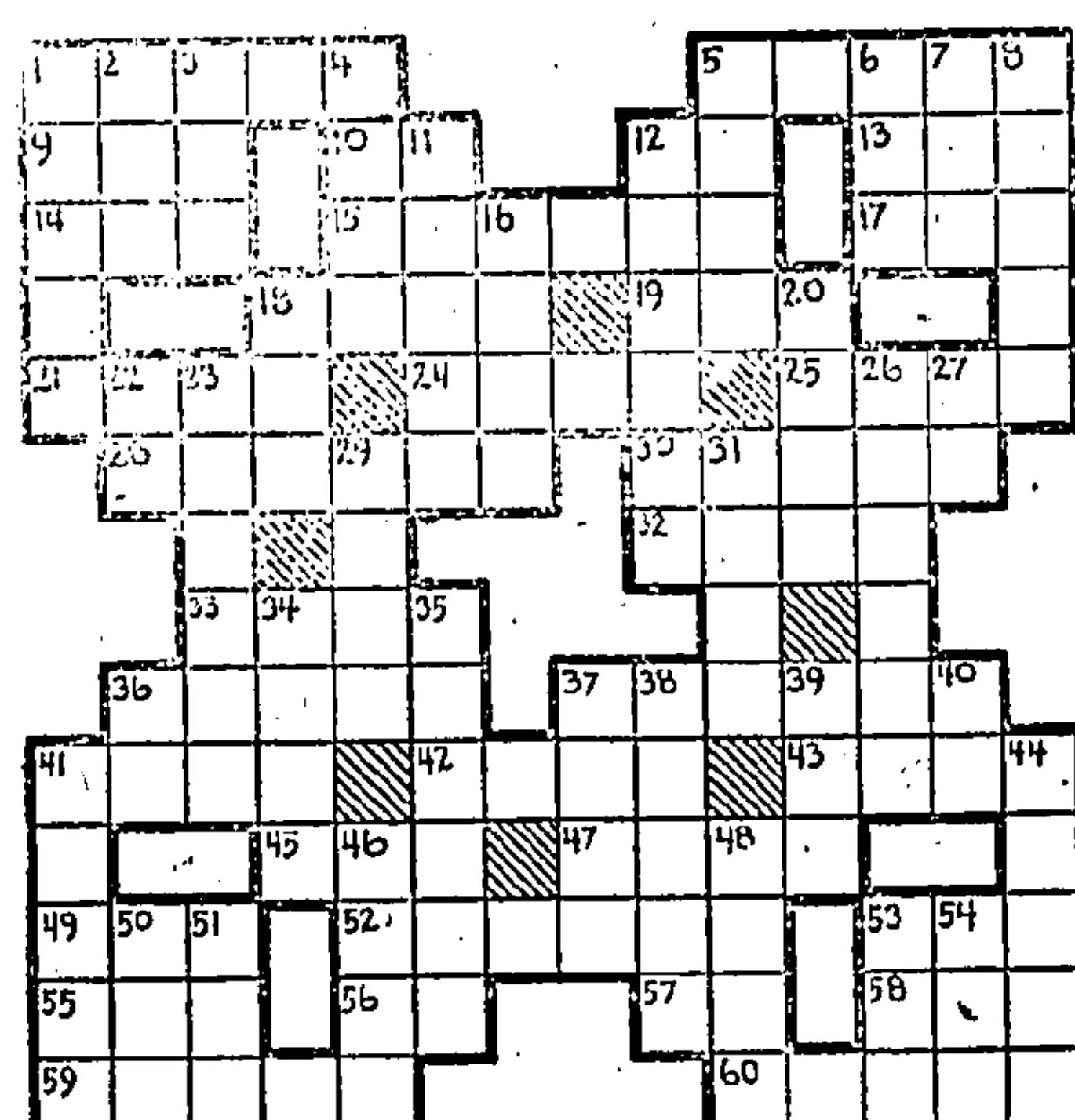
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL	HORIZONTAL (Cont.)	VERTICAL (Cont.)
1-A character in "Oliver Twist"	46-Fantastic	13-A sylvan deity
5-A city in Oklahoma	47-To cling on a stick	25-A New Testament writer
9-Island group S. W. of New Guinea	49-Crofty	22-Personal pronoun
10-Int-	52-Hired	23-A city in Malaya
12-Toward	55-Also	28-Landscapes
13-Even (Poet.)	56-Old Dutch (abbr.)	27-One of the churches (abbr.)
14-A precious stone	57-Behold	29-An edible root of Polynesia
15-Great vulture of Andes Mountains	58-The head, as of wheat	31-U. S. silver coin
17-A tribe of Israel	59-To club, as one's toe	33-Combining form -oil'
18-Persian falcon	60-Smallest in value	35-Appearing as if gnawed
19-Soft food for babies		36-To perform
21-A musical wind instrument		37-To put into a mail box
24-Teal		28-To drive off
25-Venomous snake (pl.)		39-A small bird
28-River in S. Carolina		40-A New England State (abbr.)
30-To draw out		41-Holds out
32-To irritate		44-Bird
33-Clotted blood		45-A worshipped Image
36-Sorrow (poet.)		50-Destiny
37-Prefix—"more than"		51-Personal pronoun
41-Learning		53-A drink
42-A musical wind instrument		54-Exalted
43-An Egyptian god-deity		

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

SNOWDROP TIME

Ah, hush! Tread softly through the rime,
For there will be a blackbird singing, or a thrush.
Like coloured beads the elm-buds flush:
All the trees dream of leaves and flowers and light.
And see! The northern bank is much more white.
Then frosty grass, for now is snow-drop time.
Many were, in Poems and the Spring of Joy.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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I	ASS DRY DOOR
PINK	HIKER DARE
STY	HOPAIT TED
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I	EDOM RAIN I
MARS	ITS ANT
GNAW	REAPS SIGH
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NAB	MEASURE ERG
RAVEN	YEARN

THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

BANKING LAW

The Banker and His Customer

Bankers generally understand the constitution of their own banks, and shareholders in banking companies can obtain the knowledge which concerns them as to those companies; but the customers who are a large class, usually accept the bank as an existing institution, and chiefly want to know the range of facilities the bank has to place at their disposal and the law which governs their dealings with the banker. Decisions of the courts and also legislation from time to time qualify conditions, and to meet such circumstances text books on the subject have periodically been revised.

One of the most famous of these text books is "The Law of Banker & Customer," first published in 1859 (by the late Mr. James Walter Smith, LL.D.), a new edition of which—making the 26th thousand—is now provided by Mr. R. Borregard, M.A., barrister-at-law (Effingham Wilson, Esq.).

In addition to a review of the history and constitution of the different sorts of banks, the Editor gives a plain statement of the law and of the various decisions which have been made of late years in elucidation of special points. The book is therefore of use and value both to students of law and of banking, as well as to the large and daily increasing class who keep banking accounts.

BOOKS IN U.S.

What the Reading Public Wants

American publishers have reasons to be satisfied with the activity of their industry during 1929. The total production of new books and new editions was 10,187, as compared with 9,775 for 1928. Increases were recorded in the fields of fiction, biography, education and general literature.

Some observers have been troubled by the increase in the number of fiction titles. Joseph W. Lippincott, retiring president of the National Association of Book Publishers, told his fellow publishers at their annual meeting recently that the demand for popular literature had caused a decline in the sale of the "staples" of literature. The phrase, "Here is something new," he saw as the "open sesame" to sales. He found "food for thought" in fact that fiction is "becoming a leader."

The tone of Mr. Lippincott's remarks, however, was not so pessimistic as some of the headline writers would lead their readers to believe. For he pointed out that "the crude and ephemeral will always fall by the wayside." Other publishers at the convention thought the sale of classics continued normal.

Now, the popularity of fiction as such should cause no alarm. Fiction is not, by definition, worthless. Has the "Iliad" influenced mankind less than the "Republic," or "Hamlet" than the "Short History of the English People"? The important question is not "Do you read fiction?" but "What fiction do you read?"

The Publishers Weekly believes that the total of fiction is swelled by mystery and detective stories, which have enjoyed a vogue of late. No doubt; but it's only a vogue. Far more significant, probably, is the list of best-sellers for 1929. The fifteen best selling works of fiction include only one mystery story. They include three war stories, and of these "All Quiet on the Western Front" heads the list for the year. The general average of the list is reasonably high. None of these fifteen novels could be dismissed offhand as trash. The most popular include some of the best.

Another cause for rejoicing among book lovers is the improvement in bookmaking. The American Institute of Graphic Arts is placing on exhibition from February 5 to 28, in the New York Public Library, its eighth annual selection of "Fifty Books of the Year" outstanding for beauty of design. Nearly 600 volumes, we are told, were examined in making the selection this year. Not only is interest in beautiful books growing, but beautiful books are becoming more numerous. As the Publishers Weekly significantly remarks: "The quality of design in this field has developed knowledge that has been used in trade books."

Really, those who would view the publishing situation with alarm seem to have scant standing.

THE SHORT STORY

A Modern Form of Literary Art

The short story as we know it is a distinctively modern form of literary art. The Italian "novelle" of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries are its predecessors rather than its ancestors; for the tradition of Boccaccio, both in Italy and France, can scarcely be said to have outlived the Renaissance.

Practically then a fresh start was made within very recent times; since Balzac hardly belongs to the main line of development, we may regard de Maupassant as the father of the modern short story. And in Britain, so young is the art, we still have living the first eminent English writer, Mr. Kipling, whose reputation is primarily based on his short stories.

It is an extremely exacting form of literature. Its length practically limits it to the narration of a single episode; but the context of that episode has to be sufficiently suggested to maintain illusion; and a very few strokes must suffice to indicate character, yet must achieve their purpose with all the clarity that we expect to be attained by the more leisurely methods of the novel.

The success of our generation in this difficult form of writing may well become its chief claim to distinction in the literary histories of the future.

"PROUFFYTABLE"

Sale of Lulworth Castle Books

Some interesting books belonging to Mrs. Alfred Noyes, removed from the library of Lulworth Castle in consequence of the fire there, were sold at Sotheby's on March 3.

They include first editions of Pope, Swift, Dryden and other great British writers.

Among the rarer works, perhaps the most notable is a perfect copy of the "Chastising of God's Children."

"The prouffytale" for manes sole and right comfortable to the body and specially in aduersites and trybulacion whiche booke is called The Chastyng of Goddes Children" (Westminster, Wynkyng de Worde). Its date is about 1492.

There is a hitherto unrecorded "Book of Hours" for English use, printed at Rouen in 1520, with fifty woodcuts.

These works are in black letter, as is also "Eirenarcha, or the office of the Justices of Peace, together with an exposition of certain difficult and obscure words and terms of the laws of this Realme." Its date is 1616.

Music, heraldic manuscripts, early works on America, as well as some fine early seventeenth-century flower paintings on vellum, were also included in the sale.

WINGS

There come to the flowers
In my garden
Butterflies, golden-spotted, tawny,
Blue-spangled and sulphur;
Glistening dragon-flies, zooming
bumblebees,
Droning honey-bees.

Softly whirring comes
The vivid humming-bird,
Sipping, sipping, all day long.
At nightfall I hear the flutter of the
Lunz's wings, as
She caresses the velvet cheek
Of the lily.

—JEAN M. SNYDER.

"G.B.S." ON HIMSELF

"Inflicts Pain Like a Dentist"

Dr. R. F. Ratray, Principal of the Leicester University College, has issued a syllabus of a series of lectures to the students on "Bernard Shaw, in Life and Letters," to be given at the Leicester City Museum.

Mr. H. A. Silverman, director of extramural studies at the University College, forwarded a copy of the syllabus to Mr. George Bernard Shaw, who commented on the syllabus as follows:

"1. I never cultivated anything. From a horribly shy and diffident young man, producing an impression of brazen impudence, because, I suppose, the ability of which I was unconscious asserted itself through the disadvantages and the ignorances of which I was too conscious.

"2. I repeat, I was not conscious of my powers any more than I was conscious of the taste of the saliva that was always in my mouth. I wanted to be a painter, and even an opera singer—not a writer. I wrote because I could do nothing else, and had to do something.

"3. Karl Marx died just before I heard of his existence. I heard Henry George speak, and was shamed by him on to the economic track which led me to Marx and Socialism, but I never made his acquaintance.

"4. As to 'enjoying hammerings,' I don't think this is true. Cashel Byron, when he said that he nearly killed his first opponent because he did not know his own strength, explained the savagery of some of my early criticisms. It is true that I was, and to some extent still am, very sensitive; but on the other hand, I can stand up, and even enjoy hammerings that drive other men to fury or reduce them to tears. And I often fail to conceive how they can be hurt by blows that make me laugh when I nap them myself.

"I Hit Hard."

"When, as a critic or debater, I have to inflict pain, I do it like a dentist, with great reluctance and with all the anaesthesia I can produce. But note that, as nothing is so maladroit as any show of sparing the victim's feelings I always hit as excellently as I can, with an air of hitting as hard as I can. I have a horror of humiliating or discouraging people. I like my man to feel that he has had a good fight, and been worthy of my steel; and not that I have been showing off my good taste at his expense.

"That is the line that leaves the least mallet.

G. B. S.

"P.S.—Only a keen or fairly erudite musician can deal with the artistic side of my career. I was quite well educated, musically and graphically."

Dr. Ratray stated that he is delighted with Mr. Shaw's notes on his syllabus.

Major C. F. Adams, who formed new branches of the British Legion at Appledore and Ruislip on the Rye branch, has been appointed organising secretary for the London area.

A man believed to be Charles James Brown, aged about 40, who for some time had been living in a caravan near by, was found dead on the railway line at Mill Hill, N.W.

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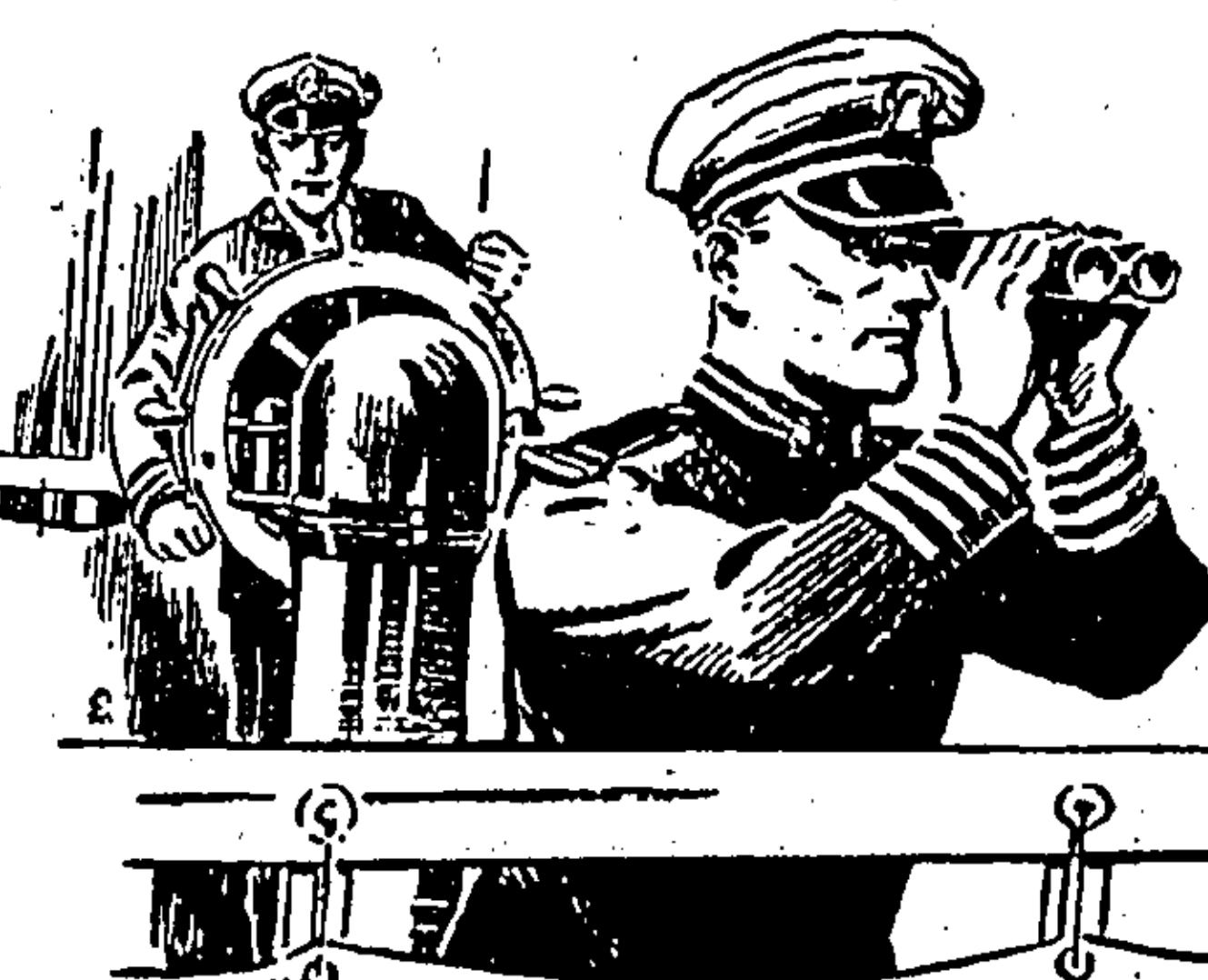
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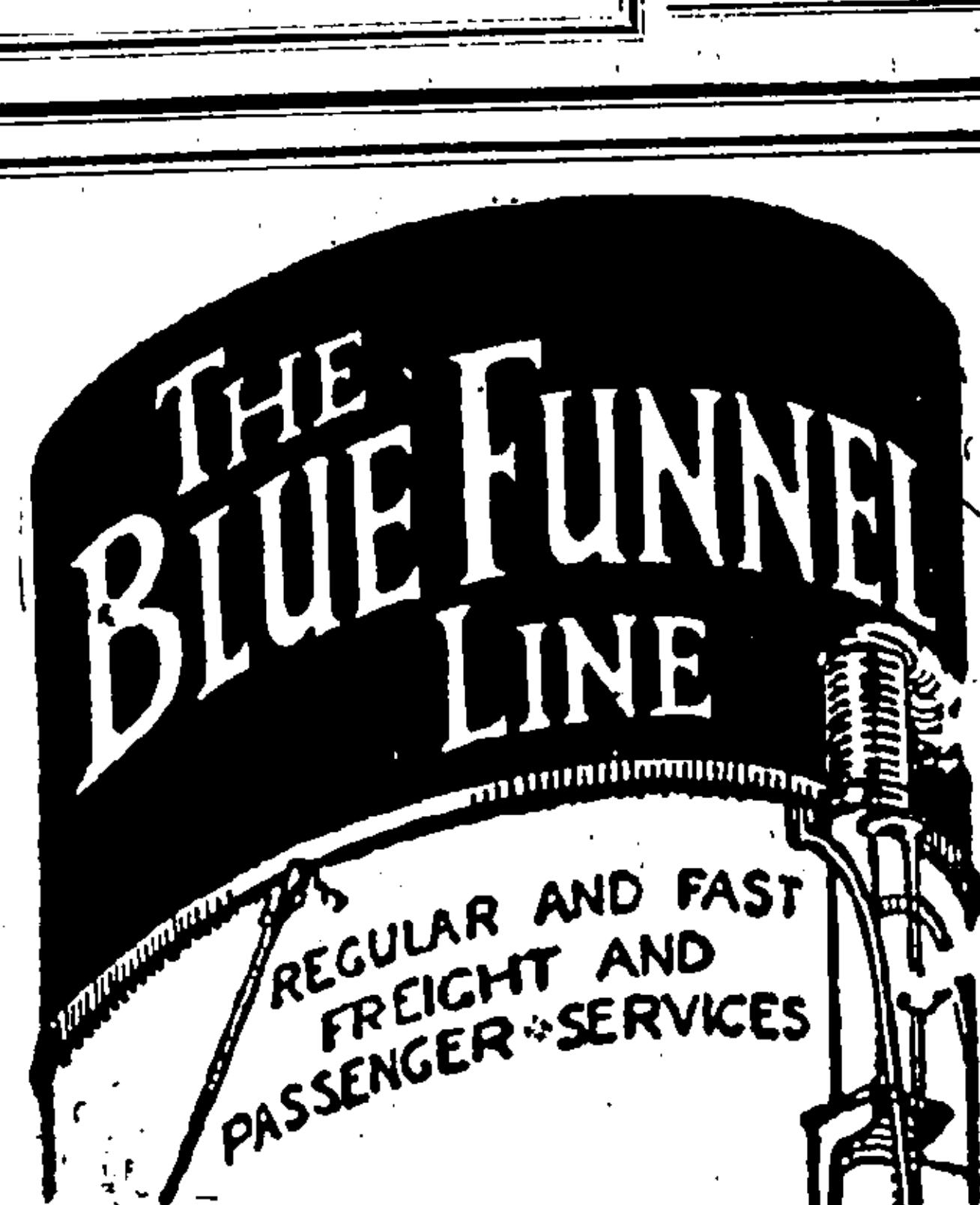
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List of ships expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong to-day:—Menado Maru, Anhui, Kong Ning, Fuku Maru, Trler, Haining, Hsiei Maru, Selatan, Sui Sang, Athos II, Sourabaya Maru, Empress of Canada, Nitto Maru, Kashima Maru, and Jufuku Maru.

INWARD MAILS

From SATURDAY, MARCH 15.
U.S.A. (Seattle, Feb. 22), Canada, Japan,
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, Feb. 22) President Taft
(Ship due on Mar. 14 7 p.m.)
Tjilboet

Java via Soerabaja SUNDAY, MARCH 16.
Tjisondari

Shanghai and Amoy Manila Empress of Canada
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MONDAY, MARCH 17. President Jackson
Manila TUESDAY, MARCH 18. Tilawa
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Shanghai

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For SATURDAY, MARCH 15.
Fort Bayard Wing Wo 1 p.m.
Manila President Taft 4.30 p.m.
Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island Tanda
(Due Thursday Island, Mar. 31.)
Parcels Mar. 15, 3 p.m.
Registration 4.15 p.m.
Letters 5 p.m.

Shanghai and Europe via Siberia SUNDAY, MARCH 16.
Swatow, Foochow and Wei-Hai-Wei
Manila
Java via Batavia
Bangkok via Swatow
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa

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GOVERNMENT AID FOR COLONIES

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London, Yesterday.

The Secretary of State for the Colonies has telegraphed to the Governors of the West Indies and of Mauritius to the effect that the British Government are prepared to shoulder half the Colonial Governments' losses up to £300,000, in respect of the West Indies, and £200,000 in respect of Mauritius, if the Colonial Government will guarantee the lenders in respect of half of any losses on advances made to assist the next sugar crop.—Reuter.

AIR DISASTER

Bodies of French Aces Found

Brussels, Yesterday.

The bodies of the French airmen, Roux, Caillot and Dodemont, who disappeared while flying to France last January after a successful flight to Madagascar, have been found, with their aero-

COLONY'S FINANCE

Revenue and Expenditure

The financial statement of the Government for the month ended November 30, 1929, showed the revenue derived during that month as £2,042,211.96. The expenditure during the same period was £1,812,454.21.

The balance in hand was still on the right side; the ten million mark being still maintained. The figures are:

Balance of Assets and Liabilities on October 31	\$10,054,882.59
Revenue from November 1 to 30	2,042,211.96
Expenditure from November 1 to 30	\$12,097,094.55
Balance	\$10,284,640.34

plane, in the Kasai forest, Belgian Congo.

This indicates how they met with disaster, and clears up the mystery of their actual fate.—Reuter.

ITALY AND FRANCE STILL HOLD OUT

NO PROGRESS MADE AFTER CONFERENCE OF LEADERS

DEADLOCK REMAINS

London, Yesterday. M. Briand (France) and Signor Grandi (Italy), conferred alone for a whole hour to-day. Extreme eagerness is felt over their meeting, as the chief immediate interest centres in the French and Italian deadlock. Signor Grandi afterwards declined to reply to journalists who interviewed him, but M. Briand admitted that no progress had been made.—Reuter.

GHANDI'S APPEAL

Address to Native Journalists

ARRESTED MAYOR

Ahmedabad, Yesterday. Gandhi and his followers at six this morning left Nawagao, and reached Varsna, where they are halting until this afternoon. The party will spend the night at Matar. Addressing journalists this morning, Gandhi appealed to them to be patriotic and support the country's cause.

Speaking to villagers at Nawagao last night, Gandhi congratulated eight headmen who had resigned their posts in protest at Vallabhai Patel's imprisonment. He exhorted the villagers to manufacture and wear khaddar (homespun), and volunteer as civil disobedience workers. Gandhi's exhortations resulted in the resignations of the police headmen of the villages of Varsna and Mahalal. The villagers vowed in the presence of Gandhi not to fill the vacancies.—Reuter.

Calcutta, Yesterday.

Large crowds gathered to witness the departure, under arrest, of Sen Gupta for Rangoon. A motor-car procession accompanied him to Outram Ghat, where he embarked aboard a ship for Burma. Sen Gupta was profusely garlanded, his forehead being painted with vermilion marks on the occasion of to-day's Hindu Festival. Sen Gupta in a parting message said:—"Dissolve the present Bengal executive, and form one whose members believe in Gandhi's leadership and do not let the fair name of Bengal be sullied."—Reuter.

[Sen Gupta, the Mayor of Calcutta, has been arrested on a Rangoon warrant charging him with making seditious speeches.]

Volunteer Salt-Workers

Poona, Yesterday.

A "war council" of eleven has been appointed to organise passive resistance in the Poona district.

A hundred volunteers have enrolled, and resolved to march to the suburbs of Bombay on the sea-coast and manufacture salt.—Reuter.

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WAR FEARED

Eruption of Strife in North

TROOPS BUSY

Peking, Yesterday. A message from Taiyuanfu states that all the Shanxi Generals who had gone to Taiyuanfu to hold a conference with Yan Hsi-shan have returned to their commands, and it is feared at Taiyuanfu that hostilities may break out shortly, as Shih Yu-san continues to move northward, and Nanking troops continue to arrive at Taiyuanfu. A further fifteen hundred men arrived there yesterday.

Shih Yu-san has gone from Chengchow to Hoped, and the Kuomin-tun forces are advancing from Tungkuang to Chengchow. It is anticipated at Taiyuanfu that they intend to occupy Chengchow, thus forcing Shih Yu-san's hand.

Lu Chung-jin and other Kuomin-tun Generals have telegraphed to their resignation to Yan Hsi-shan, expressing their intent to remain to strive night and day for the Party and nation, and pledging their support to the very end.—Reuter.

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